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EGMORE,
10*th September* 1936.

B. S. BALIGA,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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1735-1744

(VOLUME No. 1)

COPY'S OF PROBATS OF WILLS AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED ANNO. DOM. 1735.

Probat to the Will of John Stuart deceased Granted to Peter Eckman Sole Extor in the said Will named. FEB^{RY}. 11, 1734-5.

Probat to the Will of Elizth. Walsh dec^{d}. Granted to Rich^{d}. Benyon one of the Extors in the said Will named. ....

Probat to the Will of James Berriman dec^{d}. Granted to James Hubbard Esqr. one of the Extors in the said Will named. MARCH 11TH. 1734-5.

Letters of Administration to the Estate & Effects of Bastian Texeina dec^{d}. Granted to M^{r}. Lewis D. Medeiros Principal Creditor. MAY 17TH.

Probat to the Will of Robert Brooke deceased Granted to Robert Berriman Edward Harris & W^{m}. Johnson Extors in the said Will named. JUNE 4TH.

Probat to the Will of Louisa Willeboorts deced Granted to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Edon Howard M^{rs}. Mary Poeney Executors in the said Will named. JULY 29TH.

Probat to the Will of John Buckberry deced Granted to Robert Berriman sole Extor in the said Will named. AUG^{T} 29TH.

Letters of Administration with the Will annext of Thomas Day deced Granted to John Saunders Esquire Trustee in the said Will named. SEP^{R}. 16TH.

Letter of Administration to the Estate and Effects of Robert Berriman deceased granted To Augustus Burton Esqr. nearest of Kin to the deceased The Widow having renounced her right of administration to her husbands Estate and Effects.

Probat to the Will of George Sanders deceased Granted to Edwd. Harris and Grace Sanders Extors in the said Will named. NOV^{R}. 25TH.

JOHN STRATTON.
Reg^{r}.

COPY'S OF WILL'S, PROBATS
AND
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
TAKEN FROM THE REGISTRY OF THE
HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT
OF MADRASPATNAM.
Anno. 1736.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Lawrence Engleson of Fort Saint George in East India being in perfect health and of sound mind and memory and knowing

the Certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made of what kind so ever and wheresoever made I leave my soul to God who gave it Trusting in the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ for Redemption of the last day my Body I desire may be Interred in a decent manner and as to what worldly Goods it hath pleased God to bless me with I now Dispose of them in manner and form following.

Imprimis Item I Give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Anjolla Engelson the one third of my Estate Goods and Chattells that shall remain after my Funeral Charges and Just debts shall be paid.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my two sons Charles Engleson and Jonas Engleson the residue of my Estate Goods and Chattells to be Equally divided between them but in Case either of them should dye the Survivor of the two Brothers shall enjoy the others proportion and if both my Sons should dye then my Wife Anjolla Engleson shall Inherit the same.

Lastly I do ordain and constitute and appoint Mr. John Goulding Gunner and Mr. John Dawson of Fort Saint George to be Trustees unto this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Fort St. George this 11th. day of May 1734.

Ls. ENGELSON (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed Published and Declared by the said Testator to be his last Will and Testament (in the presence of us where no stampt paper is to be had).

ROBERT HODGSON.
THOMAS BOULTON.
JAMES HALL.

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON.
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Meñ by these presents that this 6th. day of February Anno Domini 1735/6 the Will of Lawrence Engleson late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and administra. of all and singular the Goods and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Goulding & John Dawson Trustees in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six Months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day, month year, and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

HOLLAND GODDARD.
Mayor.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

In the Name of God, Amen I Thomas Parkin of Fort Saint George Cooper in the East Indies being sick and Weak in body and of Sound mind and memory (praised be God for it) but Considering the uncertainty of this Transitory life do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to the Earth from whence it came therein to be Decently Interred at the discretion of my Executors herein after named in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection at the last day together with my Immortal Soul thro' the alone merits and meditation [*sic*] of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour and as to what worldly Effects it hath pleased God to bestow on me (far beyond my deserts) I Devise and Bequeath as follows.

Imprimis I will and require that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be first well and truly paid Item I Give and bequeath to my Servant Cundapah Five Pagodas Item I give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Guiomar Parkin all moneys Goods Chattells & Moveables &c. (that shall remain after payment of my debts Funeral Charges and Legacy aforesaid) to be Enjoyed by her Lastly I make order Constitute and appoint my friend Mr. John Dawson and my beloved Brother Francisco Mendes my true and lawfull Attorneys and Trustees of this my last Will and Testament I do hereby revoke and annuli all my former Wills by me made and acknowledge this to be my true and last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Fort Saint George this 9th. day of January in the year of our Lord 1735/6.

Thos. Parkin (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator (where no stampt paper is to be had) in the presence of us.

Philip Charles.
Thome de Siquiera.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ John Stratton
Regr.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it Known to all Men by these presents that this Sixth day of February Anno Domini 1735/6 the Will of Thomas Parkin late of Fort Saint George Gent. deceased was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Dawson and Fransicoa Mendes Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said Deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the Expiration of twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place abovementd.

(L.S.) Mayors Court.

Holland Goddard.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr.*

In the Name of God, Amen I Abraham Goodwin Soldier in the service of the Honble the United East India Company on board Ship Halifax Captn. Thomas Manley now on her Voyage to the East India being of perfect mind and memory tho' Infirm in Body do make this my last Will and Testament.

First I recommend my Soul to God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth or Sea as shall be thought most convenient and my worldly Effects and Goods to be disposed of in manner following after satisfying my Just debts and funeral Charges if any be.

Imprimis I Give and bequeath to Mungo Graham Surgeons mate of the Ship above mentioned a New Hat one of the Number now on board said ship belonging to me.

Item to Stephen Wrighte Steward of the same ship a new Hat out of the same number.

Item the one half of my remaining part of my Effects to Napthali Grey Soldier in the Service aforesaid and now on Board said ship.

Item the other half of the said Effects I will and Bequeath to John Vallance and Robert Winn both Soldiers in the service aforesaid and on board said ship to be Equally divided between them.

Item I will and appoint the above mentioned Napthali Grey and John Vallance to be the only Executors to this my last Will and Testament and do hereby revoke and make void all former wills by me made preceding the date hereof June 3d. 1736.

Abraham Goodwin.
(L.S.).

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Testator in presence of us.

John Goodwin.
John Fuller.
John Gibson.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ John Stratton.
Regr.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it Known to all Men by the presents that this 6th. day of July Anno Domini 1736 the Will of Abraham Goodwin deceased hereto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Napthali Grey and John Vallance Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of all the said deceased on or before the Expiration of twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.
Mayors Court.

Holland Goddard.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Bringhurst Merchant in the East Indies being mindfull of the Frailty and Mortality of Human nature and that it is appointed for all men once to dye, but Considering the uncertainty of the time thereof being of Sound mind memory and understanding do therefore make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and principally I Committ my Soul to Almighty God, my Body to the Earth there to be Buried according to the discretion of the Executors hereafter named.

Imprimis I will and Bequeath to my Sister Jane Hickman a Legacy of 400 Rupees Madras and in Case of her death the aforesaid 400 M: Rupees to be given unto her Daughter Jane Hickman and I do further declare that in Case of the death of my said Sister Jane Hickman and her Daughter Jane Hickman that then the above said money shall be given to Mess[rs]. Rawson Hart & William Andrews who I appoint Executors of this my last Will and Testament Item all the remainder of my Estate and Effects of what nature or kind soever I may be Entitled to now, or at the time of my Decease I do Give and Bequeath to my beloved Friends Mess[rs]. Rawson Hart and William Andrews to be, equally Divided between them And I further Declare that my Slave Boy Samuel is no longer a Slave and Immediately have his freedom and a Legacy of 100 Rupees and this is my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills by me made at any time heretofore made and declared this present Writing to be my last Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand in Fort S[t]. George this fourth day of July in the year of our Lord 1732.

W[M]. BRINGHURST (L.S.)

SIGNED, Sealed in the presence of

N. WRIGHTE.
FALLIETT.
WILL: MARTIN.

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON.
Reg[r].

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASP[M].

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 6th. day of April Anno Domini 1736 The Will of William Bringhurst late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annext was exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chatells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Rawson Hart one of the Executors in the said Will named (reserving power of Granting the like Administration to William Andrews the other Executor when he shall come to pray the same) being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

HOLLAND GODDARD.
Mayor.

JOHN STRATTON. *Reg[r]*.

In the Name of God Amen I John Walton now Master of the St. George Brigantine bound on a Voyage to Pegue am at present in Sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of Human nature do make this my last Will and Testament in manner as follows: First and principally I deliver my Soul to Almighty God hoping for Mercy through the Merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ my Body I deliver to the Earth to be Interred at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

Imprimis after all Funeral Charges and all my Just debts are discharged I Give and Bequeath to my dear Wife Ann Walton all the Effects I have in the World consisting of notes, Respondentia Bonds, the amount of which will be seen in my Attorney Mr. Holland Goddards hands and in my own books and to see this duty and Justified performed I appoint my dearly and well beloved Friend Holland Goddard sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament dated in Fort St. George this Thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Thirty three to which I do hereby set my hand and Seal.

John Walton (L.S.)

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℔ John Stratton. *Regr.*

The Mayors Court of Madraspatnam.

To Ann Walton Widow and residuary Legatee of John Walton late of Fort St. George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

(L.S.) Mayors Court.

Whereas the said John Walton lately deceased did whilst living make his last Will and Testament hereunto annexed and did therein Nominate and appoint Holland Goddard his Executor which said Executor has since renounced the Execution of said Will Wee desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and We do by these presents appoint you Administratrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort St. George this 17th. day of August Anno Domini 1736.

John Stratton *Regr.*

Holland Goddard.
Mayor.

A true Copy.

℔ John Stratton,
Regr.

Copys of Wills, Probats,
and
Letters of Administration
taken from the Registry of the
Honourable the Mayors Court
of Madraspatnam
Anno 1737.

In the Name of God Amen I John Irving of Fort Saint George in the East Indies Merchant being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound mind memory and understanding (praised be God therefore) do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in writing in manner and form following (that is to say) First I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it hoping for Salvation through the Merits and Mediation of my Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body I

Commit to the Earth to be decently Interred at the Discretions of my Executrix herein after named and so to such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I dispose thereof as follows *Imprimis* I do direct that my Just debts Legacys and Funeral Charges be in the first place paid and satisfyed Item I do Give Devise and Bequeath two third parts of my Estate the whole into Three equal parts to be divided unto my beloved wife Ann Irving and the other third part thereof I do Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Irving to be paid to her when she shall attain to the age of 21 years and in Case of her death before she attain such age then I do Give the said third part to my said Wife Ann Irving whom I do hereby appoint sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and do desire of my said Executrix to give Mourning to each of my Brothers and Sisters Item I do give to Mr. Wm. Jermin my set of Gold Buttons.

Lastly I do revoke all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made and do declare this present Writing to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 22d. day of Augt. Anno Domini 1733.

John Irving (L.S.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Testator as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereunto.

Phillis Bright.
Wm. Jermine.

A true Copy.
John Stratton *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court of Madraspatnm:

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 7th. day of Jañry Anno Domini 1736 the Will of John Irving late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto anexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Ann Irving Executrix in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said Deceased as far as the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige her; And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattels and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.
Mayors Court.

Raw: Hart.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr*.

In the name of God Amen By this publick Instrumt. of approbation of Schedule or Testament Be it known and manifest to all people that on the 27th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1736 I Deniel Willeboorts in the City of Atcheen, Place Sita and Plain Java being very sick in bed and of sound mind and memory in the presence of the Witnesses hereafter named, do make this my last Will and Testament for the discharge of my Conscience and good of my soul, and I Desire my son in Law Mr. James Bradbrook and Mr. Gooding to be my Executors and Trustees and that when God pleases to carry me from this life, my Trustees shall

Execute and perform what I desire in this my Will which I allow and confirm to be my last Will and Testament and my Will is that whatever is Writ herein to keep fulfill and wholly perform.

First I order my Ship with the Goods that are on her as appears by the papers I have in my Escrutore to be sold and pay the ships Company one months Wages due to the last of June of the Year as also pay the Master, Mate, and the Carpenter their Wages, Item pay my two Peons Bandy and Nausen Pattamy and I declare that Bandy did not serve me for about ffour months he has been sick therefore I order to cut out of his Wages the said 5 months Item I order to dispose of my Godown and the Ground Betty lived upon the said Ground begins from the Washers Town and ends near the River Item I order my Trustees to recover and receive all Demands I have on the Mallay Men agreeable to the Tenour of my papers in my Escrutore Item I Declare I have at Bengall two boys he that is called Manoel I Give to my son Daniel and Boy Janico I Give to my son Mathews Item I declare that all the Slave Wenches and Girls who serve and attend on Maria are her own and as such she can do of them what she will Item I mean the slave Girls are only her's as for Magdolena and Bidna they are ffree Item it is further my Will That Susannah and her Husband Alexander shall serve Nonha Sophia two years which when is over they shall become free and no Body can oblige them to serve her any longer, Item I declare that Leanor is ffree and she was never my Slave. Item I declare that Victoria Diana and Brizida belong to the said Leanor and her mother Item I acknowledge to be indebted unto Leanor 15 Buncals which I desire my Trustees to pay her fully. Item my Will is that no one person shall open or look into the Chest of the said Leanor and whatever is in that Chest belongs to her Excepting a Mallay Dagger that is mine. Item I leave Cezar and Jacob to serve my son Pichy two years. Item I give Diago and his Wife their Freedom, and also Vallantee is ffree, and they deserve it for the good services they have done to me. Item I desire my Trustees by all means to adjust accounts with my Nephew Matheus Famlidem at Persia Item I declare that I have in my hands 3,000 Madras Rupees belonging to Jannicky Willeboorts Daughter of my Brother Peter Willeboorts which I order my Trustees to pay accordingly Item I desire that all my Effects may be sold and my just debts paid and that the remaining Bulk of my Estate to be equally divided between my sons and Daughters Item I declare that I owe to my Writer Francisco Xavier for 8 years service (he has served me faithfully) which I desire my Trustees to pay him with Equity. Item I desire my Trustees also to pay to Natalia the sum specified in the Book Item I acknowledge to be indebted to Padre Fray Monal de Santa Maria the money he lent me and Lastly I desire my Trustees above named to Execute and perform all and whatever I have in this My Will directed and also I order and beg that this my Will may not be opened read nor published until God takes me to himself and I do hereby Revoke and make void all former will or Schedule by me heretofore made in any manner or fform whatsoever and Declare this my Will write in this sheet of paper to be my only true and last Will and Testament which I Cause to be made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand with the Witnesses who were present in Atcheen the day Month and year above Written.

D. Willeboorts.

Witness.

I. Edge.

Fr. Mel. Sta. Maria.

A true copy from the Original Translate.

John Stratton *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 28th. day of February Anno Domini 1736/7 The Will of Daniel Willeboorts late of Atcheen Merchant decd hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mr. Percival Gooding one of the Executors in the said Will named (reserving power of Granting the like Administration to James Broadbrook when he shall come to pray the same) being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said Deceased & the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof and also to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 24 Months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

L.S. MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART.
Mayor.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

TRANSLATE of the Last Will & Testament of Zachary De Aveteek Vizt.

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST AMEN This Will is to be Confirmed after my death according to the Testimony of Saint Paul.

I Zachary De Avateek do confess and declare before God and my Ministers that all my accounts and Transactions are fully Incerted and entred into my Books except three large Account Currents belonging to Gregory de Agazar, Magan De Aga Perry, and Issa Gully de Avateek Shaudullah, also the accounts of Macurtoom Yauhoopah which is wrote down to the year 1716 since which time I have no Accounts; The three large account Currents are not Entred in the Book by reason the said persons have had some disputes with their Masters and mine on account of Insurance Premium upon Bills and Defeciencies in the sale of Goods. The account depending Between the said Macurtoon Yanhoopah since the year 1716 will plainly appear by the Letters wrote to me and my Masters I and said Macurtoom Yanhoopah have been Copartners and in the year 1714 I came out from Europe, since which time the difference in accounts betwixt us must be settled and adjusted.

In the Year 1720 I was in Gombroon and being in Haste to dispatch for Ispahan was obliged to leave all the Piece Goods I had with Beethan. On my Arrival at Syrash was informed my master was run away so that at my coming to Ispahan I lodged in the Armenian Convent, but the Kings Officers sealed up all my Effects for my Masters debts, when after the Expiration of 7 or 8 months It was agreed upon to refer the Case to Arbitration In Pursuance thereof Arbitrators were Chosen who drew up a General Account Current of all my Dealings in the East Indies including the account of my Transactions during my stay at Gombroon and from thence to Isapan also the Effects I delivered to Beethan with the Charges during my Imprisonment All which are incerted in the Europe Waste Book together with what I paid to my Masters Creditors and all the Charges I defrayed which said Book I left at Ispahan but the Receipts I have got by me and are all passed into Account Currents some of which are Entred into the Waste Book.

I have also 4 large Account Currents two of which are in Copartnership with Aveat de Zeany and my Masters the other two Betwixt Macurtoon Yanhoopah, my Master and self, All the Accounts relating to my Masters ffactors, Adventurers &c. are all Included in the afsd. large Account Currt. as also what other Accounts I have with my Masters are therein incerted and fully Entred. ITEM

ITEM I have one Large Account Current with Coja Nazar Jacob Jan containing 7 or 8 pages which is part of my Account Current with my Masters and is lodged in the hands of said Coja Nazar Jacob Jan whereof I have a Copy But not receiving the Ballance due to me from my masters I put the same in Court Judgment thereon was given in my behalf, I being now at present under some disorder of Body do make this my last Will and Testament hereby appointing John Stratton Reg^{r}. my Executor to receive all the moneys due from my Masters &c. in the best manner he may or can.

ITEM I have also a further account with Coja Nazar Jacob Jan which I have not yet settled for which I sued him in the Mayors Court This account must be settled with him there is in his hands a Factorage Bond for 24,000 R^{s}. in my own and sons names unsealed which must be taken in the Writings Belonging to him are in Escrutore and are to be given him But whatever sums appears due on the aforesaid two accounts must be received from said Coja Nazar Jacob Jan.

ITEM The debt due from Coja Nazar Jacob Jan depending in Bengal must be received which sum is in Copartnership with Macurtoom Yanhoopah which is to be Divided and my share thereof to be placed to the Credit of my Masters and my Joint Account and out of the money received must pay the following persons Viz^{t}.

To Coja Arratoon De Mokell Rup^{s}. $1684\frac{1}{4}$ as ꝑ Bill of Exchange payable to Coja Truce dated March 10th. 1731. 5 M^{os}. after date.

ITEM To Coja Truce Teraveat dated Sepr. 1732. @ 9 ꝑ Cent ꝑ Ann. A. R^{s}. 300.—

ITEM To Coja Petrus Uscan dated Sepr. 1732. @ 6 ꝑ Cent ꝑ Ann. Do. 500. —

ITEM To Coja Nazar Jacob Jan June 11th. 1732 @ 12 ꝑ Cent ꝑ Ann. Calcutta D^{o}. 350. —

ITEM To Coja Savoy de Canow Jany. 1st. 1733..100.—......

This last sum was the Charges of Nazar Jacob Jan which are Entred in the Waste Book in part of which sum said Coja Nazar Jacob Jan gave me 4th. Sepr. 1734. 18 P^{s}. Sheersucker and Cashersoy 7 P^{o}. of Gingham some of which was sold and the rest I returned him again.

ITEM To Coja Nazar Jacob Jan P^{s}. 52. in ready money and Rice from April 11th. 1735 to Octo^{r}. 8th. But Coja Nazar Jacob Jan is D^{r}. to me thereon P^{s}. 32. as wrote down and Entred in Waste Book.

ITEM My Executor M^{r}. John Stratton shall receive 5 ꝑ Cent Commission after all which the remainder of my Estate to be given to my lawful sons and Heirs Gregory and Avateek.

In the Account Current of Coja Aga Pieri De Pannoos Anno 1715 he gave me Credit for 72 Pagodas bad debts from which he received Pag^{s}. 45. Anno 1736 I accounted the same with his sons to the amount of P^{s}. 100. in part of which I received 90 P^{s}. so the Ballance remaining with Interest is 13 P^{s}. which Bond I have delivered into the hands of Holland Goddard as being their Trustee Note the dividend of said P^{s}. 13 and the above mentioned 90 must be placed to account of Coja Lazaroo's deceased and Coja Macurtoom Yanhoopah mine and my masters to each man's Equal share and proportion thereof But my masters share to be placed to his Credit in Account.

ITEM To the Estate of my Son Johannes Coja Shaffer Chureek stands indebted 250 Dollars full Weight and the same being put into Court Anno. 16. I paid Charges P^{s}. 7 for which I made Macurtoom Yanhoopah D^{r}. by reason he took up the 250 Dollars on Respondentia also Anatoon De Marzavelly was indebted to Stock of my said sons P^{s}. 16. 18. 0 for which I made Coja Arratoon D^{r}. and on account of the said 250 Dollars I received in Court P^{s}. 446. out of which I deducted P^{s}. 43. 30 for Charges I was at before with above mentioned P^{s}. 7 so that the remainder P^{s}. 402. 6. I divided into three shares two or which Belonging to

Coja Arratoon, whose Executor is Coja Parsidon Then on account of the above mentioned P^s. 16. 18 computing compound Interest thereon amounted to P^s. 92. 26. which said sum I deducted from Coja Arratoons two shares and the Remainder I paid to his Executor Coja Parsidon being P^s. 175 which I Wrote down in my Waste Book and then for the P^s. 92. 26 I Gave my Masters credit and gave them D^r. for the abovementioned P^s. 7 for Charges which with Compound Interest computed thereon amounts to P^s. 39 Further 2/3 of 134. P^s. before mentioned Belonged to my Masters for which they must have Credit in Account.

On my departure from Europe I at sundry times demanded my Account Current from my Masters but they trifled and would not give it me Therefore according to my Own Book I drew out the Account Current betwixt me and my Masters But Sundry piece Goods which they received from me I have not debted them for. ITEM

Relating to the Account Current betwixt Coja Macurtoom Yanhoopah and my Masters they pretended there was a Ballance due to them from said Coja Macurtoom Yanhoopah But at the same time they had nothing to shew whereby the said Ballance did appear and at the time of my Master Coja Avateek's departure from Amsterdam he was indebted to Coja Mucurtoom Yanhaoopah for which debt he gave a Bond, and as I was inform'd both from my master Coja Avateek and also from other persons that he my said master had given a General discharge for Coja Macurtoon Yanhoopahs Factorage But neither that nor the account Current settled betwixt them does he care to shew me, However I wrote out an Account Current Betwixt my master and Coja Macurtoom Yanhoopah also a Duplicate thereof and desired an answer Whether that account Current was right or no. But have not received an answer from Coja Macurtoon Yanhoopah; If in his account Current he is Indebted less than the produce of a Diamond belonging to Coja Pannoo's the Overplus must be paid by my master also in the account of Coja Lazaroo's Coja Macurtoom Yanhoopah has not made him D^r. for the Charges Incumbent on the salvage of sundry goods nor likewise the share of Insurance which I paid at Amsterdam. Note that the Ballance of Coja Lazaroos account is a large Sum which Ballance is due from and must be received of my Master as I have mentioned in my Account Current with my Master. ITEM

In Reference to the account of Partnership betwixt him and me Note that there is a Ballance due to me from him which said Ballance my Executor one of sons, and master Coja Avateek must Jointly write to him a Letter about it, and receive the Ballance due thereon. ITEM

I have drawn out and Account Current wherein are included the dealings and Transactions which has Occurred in Trade with all persons I Traded with also account of all Adventurers received and how and in what manner disposed of and sold and what ever Disputes or Differences arose thereon I have particularly mentioned and wrote down under each mans Account Current for your Government. ITEM

I am indebted to Sundry persons at Ispahan Viz^t.— ITEM

To my wife Azis in one Bond	.. ..	60	Tomaund.
To D^o. in one D^o.	.. ..	2	D^o.
To the Wife of Manaville ℔ Bond	.. .. ..	5½	D^o.
To Samville ℔ D^o.	.. .. ..	8	D^o.
To Gregory Carapeat ℔ D^o.	.. .. ..	8	D^o.

To my Wife Azis for the Tribute and Expences &c. which she paid on my account after my departure from Ispahan which with the above mentioned sums I do hereby order my sons Gregory and Avateek to pay. ITEM

Whatever sums of money my Executor M^r. John Stratton receive from my Creditors &c. he shall by my order receive 5 ℔ Cent Commission for his trouble Collecting the same And further I do order the said M^r. John Stratton to purchase for himself out of the produce thereof One Diamond Ring to the Value of 300

Ps. to wear the same up on his finger in Remembrance of me, and the Ballance due from Master Coja Avateek the said Mr. John Stratton must receive also a Bond of Factorage depending with Gregory my son.

ITEM I am not indebted anything at all to all and every of my Masters Factory &c. which will Evidently appear by their respective Account Currents.

ITEM My Masters received one Factorage Bond for the sum of 300 Tomaund from my son Gregory and for which they gave two Bills of Exchange Vizt. One Bill upon me in India for 150 Tomaund and another upon Coja Avateek in Europe for the remaining 150 Tomaund in the year 1715 The Bill upon me I Protested for Good and sufficient reasons likewise the Bills upon Coja Avateek in Europe is not paid and at the time of Coja Tarcons meeting with my son Gregory in India then gave him a full discharge for the aforesaid 300 Tomaund Copy of said discharge I have in Possession and when my Master delivers up the said ffactorage Bond of my sons he may then deliver up the discharge in Return.

ITEM All my Papers Accounts & must be Delivered up to my Sons and Heirs Gregory and Avateek after that my Executor Mr. John Stratton has Collected in all my debts.

ITEM The sum my Masters stands Indebted to my son Gregory the same I have made them Dr. for in my Account Current with them and when my Masters Ballance is received then my son Gregory must receive his proportion of said debt as also the one ffourth part of Profit in ffactorage lately gained in Trade must be paid to my son Avateek.

ITEM Whatever I am indebted at Ispahan the same my Sons must pay as likewise the Necessary Charges my Wife was at.

ITEM I Desire that my Sons may live Unanimously together and not Separate.

ITEM My House, Gardens, with what I have at Ispahan I have ffreely given to my sons.

ITEM I leave to the Will and pleasure of my Sons to give to my Grand Daũrs what they think proper.

ITEM Out of the produce of my Estate I Bequeath Vizt.

To the Armenian Covent in Ispahan	2 Tomaund.
To the Church Bethlehem in Ditto	2 Ditto
To the Armenian Ministers in Madras	20 Pagodas
To the Armenian Church in Ditto	20 Ditto.

ITEM I do hereby Order Mr. John Stratton to seal up all my Effects in Madras and to Deliver them up to my Sons on their Arrival here.

ITEM I received from Mr. John Stratton 50 Pagodas.

ITEM I have left in my Escrutore some Pagodas.

ITEM I Borrowed from Coja Truce 50 Pagodas.

And if I have at any time received any more from him It is wrote down under the aforesaid Bill of Exchange of Rupees 1684. 4:

HEREBY Testifying and Declaring this to be my last Will and Testament I have hereunto set my Hand and seal in Madrass this 10th. day of December 1736.

ZACHARY DE AVATEEK.

A True Copy from the Original Translate.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*:

TEST.

Padre Wannis De Catcheek.
Padre Stephan De Stephan.
Padre Allexander De Aswasatoor.

Padre Aswasatoor De Manasacon.
Padre Mercar De Daniel.
Coja Petrus De Uscan.
Coja Gregory Avaton.
Coja Menas De Alias.
Menasacon De Lucas.
David De Measair.
Persidon De Verton.
Terus Teraveat.
Mohell De Gregory.

By the Mayors Court at Madrasp^M^.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 27th. day of February Anno Domini 1736/7 The Will of Coja Zachariah De Avateek late of Fort St. George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and, Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Stratton sole Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to Render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year & place above mentioned.

(L.S.) Mayars Court.

Raw : Hart.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr*.

Whereas I Grantham Bird now of Fort Saint George in the East Indies one of the Attorneys of the Mayors Court have already made a Will long before my Departure from England and thereby Gave all my Estate whatsoever unto my loving Wife Mary Bird and made her sole Executrix of the same which Will I hereby Confirm provided she be living Then I Give all my said Estate whatsoever unto my Neice Lydia Heroitt and make her sole Executrix But in Case of my decease in India I desire my Good ffriends Mr. John Savage and Mr. Thomas Appleby of Fort Saint George Merchants to act and be as Executors for all my Estate and Effects in India and to sell all my said Effects and collect in all the debts oweing to me and the produce thereof to Remit to England to the persons above named who shall be Intitled thereto desiring only That a Chest may be filled with my best Wearing Apparell and what pieces of White Linnen I shall have by me with my Watches Rings and Canes and remitted in the same manner Witness my hand in Fort Saint George this 24th. day of October 1736.

Grantm. Bird.

Witness.
David Forbes.

NB. I desire my Manuscript Books of my own Writing with that Printed relating to my Practice may be also sent home.

A true copy.

John Stratton *Regr*

By the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam.

Be it Known to all Men by these presents That this 17th. day of May Anno Domini 1737 The Will of Grantham Bird late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Savage and Thomas Appleby Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the lawfull debts of the said Deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.)

Mayors Court.

Raw : Hart.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr*:

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Hodson of the Parish of Crosswart in the County of Cumberland in the Kingdom of Great Britain but now of the City of Madras in the East Indies being sick and Weak in Body but of perfect sound memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Mortal life and that it is appointed for all Men once to dye Do therefore make this last Will and Testament that is to say First and principally I recommend my soul to Almighty God who gave it and my Body I committ to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafer named and as to what worldy Goods it has pleased Almighty God to bless me with after my Just debts and Funeral Charges shall be paid I Give and Bequeath in the manner and fform ffollowing.

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. Thomas Gayfar of Great St. Anns lane Westminster the sum of £ 14. s. 16. d. 6 Sterling Money of Great Britain.

Item I Give and Bequeath to my servant Nalla Tomby the sum of 10 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath to my two servants Auntee and Susanna the sum of 5 Pags. each.

Item I Give to Mr. Samuel Turner whom I appoint Executor of this my last Will and Testament (Deducting my debts, Funeral Charges and Legacs.) all and whatsoever by any means right or Title may properly be mine at the time of my decease And I do hereby revoke all former Wills heretofore by me made and acknowledgeing this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Fort Saint George this 8th. day of May A. D. 1737.

Robt. Hodgson (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Delivered (where no stampt paper is procurable) in the presence of

Wm. Hathaway.
Edwd. Fuller.
Richd. Harris.

A true copy.

John Stratton,
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPA^M^.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 24th. day of May Anno Domini 1737 The Will of Robert Hodgson late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to Samuel Turner Executor in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chatells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART *Mayor*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Ralph Mansel being of perfect mind and memory make this my last Will and Testament First and principally I Commit my Soul into the hands of my blessed Saviour and my Body to be decently Buried As to my Temporal affairs I will and Bequeath them as follows Viz^t^.

To my dearly Beloved Wife Grace Mansell I will and ordain the one half of my Estate and to my Beloved Children James Mansell, Elizabeth Mansell and Ann Mansell the other half of my Estate to be equally divided amongst them.

And I do hereby ordain Constitute and appoint M^r^. William Johnson and M^r^. Fenwick Golightly Executors in Trust to this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Fort Saint George this 27th. day of May 1737.

RALPH MANSELL (L.S.)

WITNESSES.

NATH : BARLOW.
ROB^T^ : TURING
G. G. POWELL.

A true copy.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^*

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 7th. day of June Anno Dñi. 1737 The Will of Ralph Mansell late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administra. of all and Singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to M^r^. W^m^. Johnson and M^r^. ffenwick Golightly Executor, in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said Deceased as ffar as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law Oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART.
Mayor.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Lightfoot of Fort Saint George in the East Indies being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect and sound Memory (praised be God therefore) and calling to Mind the uncertainty of this Mortal life and that it is appointed for all Men once to dye do therefore make this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say First and principally I commend my Soul to God who gave it, in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection by my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body I Commit to the Ground to be Buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as to what wordly Goods and Effects it has pleased almighty God to Endue and bless me with I Give Bequeath and Devise in the manner following.

Imprimis I desire that my just debts and Funeral Charges be punctually paid.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Dear beloved ffather all my Estate in what Quality and Quantity so ever both Real and personal Goods and Chattells &c. that I shall be possessed of at the time of my decease living or to be heard of nigh or near Boarshead Court in the Borough of Southwark in the Kingdom of Great Britain.

Item I Give to each of my Executors Mr. George Jones and Mr. John Dawson (whom I do appoint Executors of this my last Will and Testament) to each a Mourning Ring and I do hereby declare this to be my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills heretofore made by me and further declare this to be my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th. day of June Anno Domini 1737.

Henry Lightfoot (L :S).

Signed Sealed and Delivered (where no stampt paper is procurable) in the presence of

Jos : Murphy.

Robt : Giles.

A true copy.

John Stratton *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam.

Be it Known to all Men by the presents that this 19 day of July A :D : 1737. The Will of Henry Lightfoot late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administrā. of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mr. George Jones and Mr. John Dawson Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or Before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) Mayors Court.

Raw : Hart.
Mayor.

John Stratton *Regr*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN August 11th. 1737 I Richard Harris of Fort Saint George being sick and Weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God but knowing it is appointed for all Men once to dye do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say First and principally I Commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have pardon for all my sins and to Inherit everlasting life and my Body I Committ to the Earth to be Decently Buried at the discretion of my Executor's hereafter named and as touching the disposition of such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I Give and Dispose thereof as followeth.

I Will and require my two Executors George Jones and John Russell to see that my debts and Funeral Charges be paid and discharged Item I Give and Bequeath to my dear and well Beloved mother Dorothy Harris at Lachon Carmarthenshire 200 Ps. to be Remitted after the sale of my Effects Item I Give and Bequeath to my Loving Brother Evan Harris 20 Ps. Item to my Brother David Harris 20 Pagodas Item to my sister Sarah Harris 20 Ps. Item to my Sister Rebecca Harris 20 Ps. Item to my Sister Margarat Harris 20 Ps. and if in Case my Mother should have departed this life then and in such Case the aforesaid sum of 200 Ps. to be Remitted to Europe and equally divided amongst such or all of my Brothers and sisters as shall be living Item to my well beloved ffriend Lazarus De Montee the Black Cott with all its Furniture as also whatever sheep Geese Turkeys Grain &c. that may come from Bengal & this season I Bequeath to him Item to his Wife Eneas De Montee one piece of Gold in my Escrutore Weighing about 22 Ps. Item I Give and Bequeath to my true and well Beloved Friend John Dawson 10 Ps. to buy him a Mourning Ring Item to my two Executors aforesaid 25 Ps. each hereby willing and requiring that after all my debts and Legacys are discharged the residue and remainder of my persl. Estate Goods and Chattells I Give and Bequeath to my well beloved ffriend Dorothy Adams particularly my adventure to China of about 50 Pagodas for silk and a slave Boy and Girl I desire may be given to her and not sold I do hereby Revoke and make void all former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made IN WITNESS whereof I the said Richard Harris have here unto set my hand and seal in Fort Saint George the day and year above written. *Imprimis*

his
RICHARD × HARRIS (L.S.).
mark.

SIGNED Sealed and Declared by the said Richard Harris as by his last Will and Testament in the presence of us.

WM. HATHAWAY.
THOS. WHITE.
JOHN MEGSON.

A true copy.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 16th. day of Augt. Anno Domini 1737 The Will of Richard Harris late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mr. George Jones and Mr. John Russell Executors in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will named as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits

of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige And also to Exhibit unto this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six Months from the date hereof and also to render to this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 Months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Robert Blundall Principal Creditor of Samuel Cooper late of Fort Saint David Surgeon deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Samuel Cooper died lately at Fort Saint David intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be Well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months and to render into this Court a true and perfect account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort St. George this 16th. day of August A. D. 1737.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To William Johnson Principal Creditor of John Warren late of Ingeram Gentleman deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said John Warren dyed lately at Ingeram intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and Just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chells. and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 23d. day of August 1737.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW : HART *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To George Jones and John Dawson Principal Creditors of Samuel Turner Late of ffort St. George Gentleman deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Samuel Turner dyed lately at this place Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly Administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity Commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just accounts of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of twelve months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells dated in Fort Saint George this 13th. day of September A. D. 1737.

L.S.

RAW. HART *Mayor*.

MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Henry Crawford Principal Creditor of Andrew Blair late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Andrew Blair died lately at Fort Marlborough on the West Coast of Samatra Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debt paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your ffidelity Commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise blonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Twelve months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 18 months from the date thereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 20th. day of September A.D. 1737.

L.S.

RAW : HART *Mayor*.

MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Martha Keith Widow and Relict of William Keith late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said William Keith died lately at Vizagapatam intestate we desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly Administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity Commit to you the administration of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory

of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administratrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 8th. day of November A.D. 1737.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW. HART *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

I CHRISTOPHER GREENWOOD being in perfect State of health and of sound Judgment draw up this several Memorandum as my last Will and Testament and do hereby appoint my good ffriends Messr. Abraham and Henry Solomons of Fort Saint George Merchants separately and jointly to be my only Trustees and Executors and that all Money Goods or Effects whatever may be any way ffound belonging to me may be delivered into their hands and that after-payment of my lawfull debts whatever shall remain I hereby order shall become their own property and that they keep and dispose of the same as they shall think proper I hereby giving it to them desiring that of my Books and papers such as they like they may keep and that they destroy all others by Fire. To this I except a small Box qtg. a few things not exceeding 20 Ps. in Value and which are of no use but to the person for whom they were and are designed this Box I left in the hands of a Friend whom I name not nor should mention this Trifle But in Case the said ffriend should own the Receipt of the said Box which I have ordered and do order on the knowledge of my Decease shall be given to Moo——d——8——mea; my ffriends know my meaning and will herein indulge me Dated in Fort Saint George this 16th. day of July 1737.

CHR: GREENWOOD (L.S.)

This is written with in your hand and needs no Witnesses.

A true copy.

JOHN STRATTON.
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this sixth day of Decemr. Anno Domini 1737 The Will of Christopher Greenwood late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mr. Abraham Solomons one of the Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

RAW: HART *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

COPY'S OF
WILLS PROBATS AND LETTERS OF ADM̃CON
Taken from the Registry of the
HOÑBLE THE MAYORS COURT OF
MADRASPATNAM.

ANNO. 1738.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I David Wilson of Fort Saint George being weak in Body but of Sound Mind and Memory and Considering the Certainty of Death do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God Hoping through the merits of a Crucified Saviour for a Joyfull Resurrection to Life Eternal And as touching such Worldly Estate whereiwith it has pleased God to Bless me I desire that Messrs. Robert Douglas and John Goulding of Fort Saint George may accept of the Trust and Charge of all and every thing belonging to me and pay or Cause to be paid my Funeral Charges and all other Debts and demands which to them shall appear Just & reasonable as also to dispose of all such things appertaining to me Which ought to be converted into Cash and to Ask to Sue for Levy Recover and Receive such Sums as are or shall be due to me And the full Amount of the said Estate to pay or cause to be paid remitt or cause to be remitted in the best and most Advantageous manner to M^{r}. Robert Rollo of Alloa near Stirling in North Britain and M^{r}. George Hutcheson at present of Calcutta on the River Ganges both of them my Cousin Germains whom I Nominate and appoint my Executors and Administrators to and of the said Estate Willing that the said Estate be divided into ten parts four whereof I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary at present wife to M^{r}. Graffan at Edinburgh or in case of her death the said ffour parts to be equally divided amongst her Children, I Give and Bequeath to a Neice of mine my Sister Anns only Daughter by her Marriage to William Allen Merchant in Stirling two Tenths and in Case of her death I Bequeath the said two Tenths to my Neice whose maiden Name, was Margaret Neilson at present wife to Lieutenant Cummins. I Give and Bequeath to Janet Rollo daughter to Robert and Janet Rollo's two Tenths and in Case of her death the said Sum to Revert and be applied to the use of her Parents their Heirs &c. I Give and Bequeath to my Neice M^{rs}. Cummins one tenth In Case that my Neice M^{r}. Allens daughter should survive and enjoy the two tenths already mentioned And I will that in Case M^{rs}. Cummins should come to the possession of the two tenths by the death of my other Neice that one tenth be given and applied to the Use of The Hospital at Stirling founded for the Maintenance of decayed and Broken Merchants as also that Tenth bequeathed to George Hutcheson in Case of his death And this I declare and acknowledge to be my last Will and Testament and do hereby Revoke and disannull all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort Saint George this 5th. day of January 1737/8.

SIGNED Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator David Wilson to be his last Will and Testament and by us signed as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and of each other.

DAVID WILSON (L.S.)

ROB^{T}. TURING.
WILL^{M}. TURBUTT.

ADRIAM FOURBECK *Junr.*

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT known to all Men by these Presents that this 10th. day of January Anno Domini 1737/8 The Will of David Wilson late of Fort St. George Gentleman hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Robert Douglas and John Goulding Trustees in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacies in the said Will mentd. as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend & the Law oblige And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expira. of 12 months from the date hereof And to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the expira. of 18 months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.* EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I David Forbes of Fort Saint George in the East Indies and one of the Attorneys belonging to the Hoñble the Mayors Court Gentleman being of Sound and disposing mind and memory do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say First I recommend my Soul to Almighty God my Creator hoping through his mercy and the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ I shall Enjoy Eternal Life My Body I Committ to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named And as for that Wordly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with all I Give and Dispose thereof as followeth.

Imprimis I do Nominate and appoint my Trusty and well beloved Friend and Cousin Ensign Roderick Forbes of Fort St. George to be my Sole and only Heir and Executor and after he has paid my debts and Funl. Charges as also all debts and demands due by me and Judged to be so by him and the residue of my Goods Chattells and Effects he my said Heir & Executor is to accept of for his own use and Behoof only after Sale of my Goods as aforesaid He is to pay to Permaul my Dubash (if he is in my service at the time of my death) Ps. 10. and I hereby Revoke all former Wills heretofore by me made and acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof in the presence of Robert Giles and written by him I have signed and sealed these presents at Fort Saint George this 18th. day of January and in the year of our Lord 1737/8.

DAVID FORBES (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed Published and Declared (where no stampt paper is procurable) in the presence of us.

ROBT. TURING.
ROBERT GILES.

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.
₰ JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATM.

BE IT Known to all Men by these presents that this 24th. day of Jañry A.D. 1737/8. The Will of David Forbes late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in

any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Roderick Forbes Sole Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

EDWARD FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Charles Simpson Principal Creditor of James Magrath late of Fort Saint George Mariner decēd send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said James Magrath died lately at Bengal Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly Administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof, and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 24th. day of January 1737/8.

L.S.

MAYORS CO RT.

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Francis Rous being of Sound Mind and perfect Memory do make this my last Will and Testament *Imprimis* that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be first paid.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath my Sister Ann Rous 300 £ Sterling.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my Trustees hereafter named 30 Ps. each for mourning.

ALL the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personl I Give and Bequeath to my Wife Margaret Rous whom I do hereby ordain my Sole Executrix and my Friends the Reverend Mr. Robert Wynch and Howard Trustees to this my last Will and Testament revoking all others by me at any time made Dated in Fort Saint George this 1st. day of May in the year of our Lord 1733.

FRAN: ROUS

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 2d. day of May Anno Domini 1738 The Will of Francis Rous late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any Wise Belonging was and is hereby committed to Margaret Rous sole Executrix in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To William Jansem principal Creditor of Edward Fuller late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Edward Fuller died there lately Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly Administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying upon your Fidelity committ to you the Administra. of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof And we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 2d. day of May A.D. 1738.

(L.S.)

MAYORS COURT.

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Thomas Appleby Principal Creditor of Thomas Shaw late of Fort St. George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Thomas Shaw died lately on Board the Galatea in his passage from this Port to that of Syrian in Pegu intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased will Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the

Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expira. of 12 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 23^{d}. day of May A.D. 1738.

L.S.

EDW^{D}. FOWKE *Mayor*.

MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}*:

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Samuel Hepburn Master of Ship Triton being at present in a Weak Condition though of sound mind and memory do think proper to make this my last will and Testament And Whereas through the decease of Christopher Greenwood appointed from Madrass as Supercargo of said Ship the Care of the affairs by order of the Owners did devolve upon me and which I may speedily be out of a Possibility of Executing I do therefore think proper to declare that it appears to me most Expedient that in Case I should dye. M^{r}. James Berriman with Joseph Murphy now my Chief mate do take upon them the Management of the Concerns of the Ships Cargo remaining to be sold and that he the said James Murphy do assume the Command of the ship as Customary.

BUT all such concerns as immediately appertain to me and those Interested with me and the late Super Cargo Christopher Greenwood I do Committ solely to the prementioned Joseph Murphy until the Ships Arrival at Madrass.

ITEM as to whatever I may be worth after paying my Just debts I do hereby bequeath to the proper use and Behoof of my dear Wife Roza Hepburn and sorry I am there is so little likely to come to her.

ITEM Since my Dear wife aforesaid is unacquainted with Business I am induced to request of Messrs. George Jones and Henry Crawford of Madras that they will take upon them the office of Executors by whose Assiduity I am persuaded all that's possible in Justice will be done for the Benefit of her my Dear Wife.

And having nothing more to add as to Worldly affairs I do Commend my Soul to the mercy of the Almighty and commit my Body to the Earth without being at any thing more than a necessary and requisite Expence.

GIVEN under my hand and seal in Tellicherry this second day of April in the year of our Lord 1738.

SAMUEL HEPBURN (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of us.

H^{K}. HOWARD.
W^{M}. JEYNSON.
JA^{S}. VERELST.

Examined and Compared with the Orig^{l}.

℘ JOHN STRATTON REG^{R}.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 30th. day of A.D. 1738 the Will of Samuel Hepburn late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and administra. of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Commited to George Jones and Henry Crawford Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to

Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

EDW^D^. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To John Earnest Giuester Principal Creditor of Anthony Satorious late of Fort Saint David Gent. Deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Antony Satorious dyed lately at Fort Saint David intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof And we do by these presents appoint you Adiministrator of all and sing^r^. the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 13th. day of June A.D. 1738.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

EDW^D^. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^.*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Peter Echman Principal Creditor of Lodowick Cathcart late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased.

WHEREAS the said Loddwick Cathcart died lately there Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just [*sic*] paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of 6 months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort S^t^. George this 13th. day of June A.D. 1738.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

EDWARD FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^*:

In the name of God Amen I John Goulding Gunner of Fort Saint George in the East Indies being in good health of Body and of sound mind and memory praised be God and do make and declare this my last Will and Testament for the disposal of my Worldly Estate after my decease (that is to say).

Imprimis I Will and Require that all my just debts shall be fully paid and satisfied and from and after payment thereof I do give and Bequeath to Mr. William Johnson the sum of 1000 Ps. Current money of Madras.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Major David Wilson the sum of 1000 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. Robert Douglas the sum of 1000 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the said Major David Wilson and Mr. Robert Douglas my third part of the house and Garden at Saint Thoma mount, which we three Jointly purchased of Major John Roach.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. William Martin the sum of 1000 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. John Dawson the sum of 1000 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Samuel Troutback my Godson the sum of 2488 Ps. which sum I desire may be deposited in the Church Stock of Madrass and that 10 Ps. ℘ mensem may be paid out of the Interest arising therefrom to his mother monthly until he (now almost 4 years old) shall attain the age of 21 years when the principal of the said Legacy shall be paid him But if he shod. depart this life before he arrive at that age Then I Give & Bequeath the said sum of 2488 Pas. unto my Residuary Legatees hereafter named.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Mrs. Susannah Troutback the sum of 10 Ps. ℘ mensem during her natural life to be raised from a Fund of 2488 Ps. to be also Deposited in the Church Stock afsd. and when she shall depart this life then I give and Bequeath the said sum of 2488 Ps. unto my Residuary Legatees hereafter named.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the said Church stock the sum of 500 Ps. in lieu of Commission on the two last mentioned Legacies.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the Reverend Mr. Thomas Wynch the sum of 1000 Ps.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Wife Martha Goulding the sum of £. 2000 Sterling money of Great Britain.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Sister Jane Cooper the sum of 500 £.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the two Children of my said Sister Jane Cooper the sum of 1000 £. that is, the sum of £. 500 to each of them.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Sister Mary Rowe the sum of £. 500.

Item I Give Devise and Bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my Estate of what Nature kind or quality so ever and wheresoever unto George Morton Pitt Esqr. and Richard Benyon Esqr. to be equally divided amongst them and I do hereby make and appoint them the said George Morton Pitt and Richard Benyon Esqrs. to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made and Declaring this only to be my last Will and Testament.

John Goulding (L.S.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in the presence of us.

Thos. Appelby.
Rd. Starke.
Chas. Boddam.

Examined and Compared with the Original.
℘ John Stratton *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATN[M].

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 4th. day of July A.D. 1738 The Will of John Goulding late of Fort Saint George Gentleman deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Richard Benyon Esq[r]. one of the Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacies in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and Also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months And to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

EDW[D]. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg[r].*

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Charles Hopkins and James Ross in right of his Wife Johanna Ross whose Maiden name was Johanna Hopkins the nearest of Kin of Edward Hopkins late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Edward Hopkins dyed lately at Pegu under the Presidency of this place Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging being first Sworn Well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of 12 months and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 18 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 26th. day of July A. D. 1738.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

EDW[D]. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg[r].*

IN CASE that I Thomas Appleby should depart this Life without having time to make a more former Will and Testament than this writing I do hereby Declare and Expect this may be looked upon as my last Will and Testament.

WHICH is that I give and Bequeath all my Estate Goods and Chattells unto my Brother Anthony Appleby of Bishop Stortford Provided he be living at the time of the first news in England of my death But if not then living Then I Give all my said Estate unto my Brother John of the said place. If it should so happen that I should dye in India I desire my Good Friends John Hammond and Abraham Solomons of Fort Saint George Merchants at or Act and be as Executors for all my

Estate and Effects in India and to sell all my said Effects and to collect all my debts owing to me and the produce to remit according to the order of my said Brother living Witness my hand in Fort Saint George this 4 Janry. 1737/8.

THOMAS APPLEBY L.S.

ROBT. TURING.

Examined and Compared with the Original
℣ JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 8th. day of August. A.D. 1738 the Will of Thomas Appelby late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Hammond and Abraham Solomons Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige and also Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned. (L.S.)

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor*. MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD Amen I Benjamin Braund Commander of the ship Duke of Cumberland being at present in a Weak condition of Body but of sound mind and memory do hereby appoint and fully Impower Mr. Benjamin Webster and Christr. Irving my true and lawfull Executors here in India to dispose of my Effects a board said Ship Cumberland to the best Advantage they can and to Invest the same in such Commodities as are usually the Captains Priviledge and what moneys remain uninvested to be remitted in the Companys Cash.

As to my other Worldly affairs I leave and Bequeath them according to my last Will in England in my Wifes hands Given under my hand in Fort Saint George the 4th. day of August 1738.

BEN : BRAUND (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed in the presence of us.

RO : FORBES.
EDWARD HUGBOOD.
WM. COX.
Examined and Compared with the Origl.
℣ JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Benjamin Webster and Christopher Irving Executors named in a Codicil to the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Braund late Commander of the Ship Duke of Cumberland deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Benjamin Braund did whilst Living in England make his

last Will and Testament and having left the same in the hands of his Wife and having made a Codicil to the same at this place which is hereto annext did therein nominate and appoint Banjamin Webster and Christopher Irving his Executors in India for the better Management of his Estate and Effects on board the Ship Duke of Cumberland We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said Deceased may be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in India being first sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to comply with the Directions in the said Codicil particularly mentioned and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in India.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

Dated at Fort Saint George this 15th. day of August A.D. 1738.

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

MAYORS COURT OF MADRASPATNAM.

To Robert Mylne the nearest of Kin to Thomas Mylne late Surgeon of the Ship Pelham in the Service of the United East India Company deceased send greeting.

WHEREAS the said Thomas Mylne died on Board the said Ship Pelham intestate we desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just debts paid as farr as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deced. shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Commit to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first sworn Well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just acct. of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administra. of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort St. George this 22d. day of August A.D. 1738.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

EDWD. FOWKE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

COPPYS OF WILLS, PROBATS, and
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION Taken.
From the Registry of the
HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT OF
MADRASPATNAM ANNO 1740.

IN THE NAME OF GOD Amen I George Robert Dickinson of Fort Saint George Merchant in the East Indies being in perfect health and of a Sound and perfect Memory praised be God for it and considering the uncertainty of Transitory Life do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to the Earth from whence it came therein to be Decently Interred at the discretion of

my Trustees or Executors herein after named in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection at the last day Together with my Immortal Soul thro' the alone Merits and Mediation of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour and as to what worldy Effects it hath pleased Almighty God to Bestow upon me I give Devise and Bequeath as follows.

Inprimis I Will and require that all my Just debts Funeral Charges and Legacys be first well and truly paid when that is done all the remainder Except 100 Ps. which I Give and Bequeath to Messrs. Crawford and Johnson Executors of this my last Will and Testament each of them 50 ps. provided they act, and the remainder I Give and Bequeath to Mr. Catharina Johanna Consett to do with it as she pleases and 'its further my Will and pleasure that whatever I leave her not a Cash of it shall go towards paying her debt to the Church and in Case—they Insist upon her paying the debt I do hereby desire my Executors to Lay out the money I leave her at Interest if she chooses it, if not I Give her full power to do with it as she has a mind for & in case of her Death I do Give and Bequeath the remainder of my money to be distributed equally between her two Children Vizt. Miss Catharina Johanna Consett and Miss Mary Consett and in case of their deaths I do Give & Bequeath the remainder of my money to the Society for Propogating Christian Knowledge to be distributed among the Lame Blind poor Familys come to decay But Chiefly amongst those Christains that are persecuted for the Lords Sake LASTLY I do make Constitute & appoint my beloved Friends Mr. Henry Crawford and Mr. William Johnson before mentioned my true and Lawful Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke and make void all former Wills by me made and acknowledge and declare this to be my true and only lawfull last Will & Testament IN CONFIRMATION whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort Saint George this 26th. day of August in the year of our Lord 1738.

GEO : ROBT. DICKINSON (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator where no stamp paper is to be had in the presence of us and by us signed in the presence of each other.

PETER GRIFFITH.
GEORGE PIGOTT.
RICHD. STARKE.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 8th. day of January in the year of our Lord 1739/40 the Will of George Robert Dickinson late of ffort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to Henry Crawford one of the Executors in this Will named William Johnson the other Executor having renounced his Trust) being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him And also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expira. of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Robert Douglas Principal Creditor of John Dugud late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said John Dugud died lately in his Passage from this place to Bengal on board the ship Baga Gopall Intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your ffidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of one year and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of one year from the date hereof And we do by these presents Appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 29th. day of April A.D. 1740.

(L.S.)

MAYORS COURT.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Regr*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Townsend now of Syrian in the Kingdom of Pegu being of a Sound mind Memory and Understanding do make and Declare this to be my last Will & Testament And first I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be Buried at the discretion of my Executrix herein after named and touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I Give and bequeath the same in manner and form following.

Imprimis my Mind and Will is that all the Just debts that I shall owe at my decease and my Funeral Expences shall be paid and discharged and after payment thereof I Give and Bequeath the residue & remainder as ffollows.

To my Honoured ffather Luke Townsend of Hackney the sum of 300 £. Sterling to be paid out of the sum of 5,500 Rupees now in the Hands of Mr. William Davis of Calcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall Gentleman and the rest of the aforesaid sum of 5,500 Rupees with the Interest that shall become due thereon to be Equally divided between my well Beloved Brother and sister Luke Townsend and Ellis Townsend.

ITEM to Mrs. Rosa Garova I Give the sum of 300 Rupees and all her plate Jewells &c. now in the Custody of my Well beloved Wife Isabella Townsend.

ITEM All the rest and remainder of Worldly Estate whatever I Give and Bequeath to my Dear and well beloved Wife to be disposed of as she shall think fitting without being Accountable to any one and I do hereby Revoke all former Wills by me made and declare this to be my last Will and Testament and I do Constitute and appoint the said Isabella Townsend my Wife to be the whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 10th. day of March in the year of our Lord 1739/40.

W. TOWNSEND.

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered on plain paper in Syrian where no stamp't paper is used in presence of us.

WITNESS:

PATRICK GUTTERIE.
JOHN HERIOT.
JOHN INCE.

This is a true Copy of the Orig^{l}. Syrian March the 23^{d}. 1739/40.

WITNESS:

JONA SMART.
EDW^{D}. WILSON.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 6th. day of May A.D. 1740 the Will of William Townsend late of Syrian in the Kingdom of Pegu Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chatt^{s}. and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Isabella Townsend sole Executrix in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of one year and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of Six from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.)
MAYORS COURT

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}*.

THE Last Will of Elizabeth Matthews is as follows.

After Committing her Soul to God and her Body to the Ground she disposes of her worldly Goods as follows First her two Slaves Sabina & Angelo to be sold by her Administrator And she gives as follows Viz^{t}.

To Signora Mucha 5 P^{s}. to S^{ra}. Jubbelecha 5 P^{s}.:.Sig^{ra}. Julia 5 P^{s}. To Chicko 5 P^{s}. to Luzea 5 P^{s}. Chicko & Luzea to have their ffreedom given upon her death To her Grand Nephew John Lawrence the remainder of her Goods Chattells moneys personal and real Estate after her just debts and funeral charges are discharged She gives to him likewise power to administer and to take care of her Effects immediately upon her death and to see her buried in a decent manner This was spoken by the above said Elizabeth Matthews and to be her Will and desire she being in appearance of Sound mind and memory but not being able to put her hand and seal to the same by reason of Extreme Weakness & disorder in Body desired us whose names are under written to be Witnesses Fort Saint George this 2^{d}. day of April 1740.

EDEN HOWARD.
CHRISTIANA DUTTON.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 6th. day of May Anno Domini 1740 the Will of Elizabeth Matthews late of Fort Saint George Widow deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Lawrence sole Executor in the Will named being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as farr as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expira. of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 Months. Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Robert Stringfellow of Madrass Mariner being perfectly in health and sound in mind and memory do hereby Nominate and appoint this to be my last Will & Testament in manner and form following. Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God who gave it in hopes of Salvation in the World to come & my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried according to the order of the Church of England I professing the Religion of that Church secondly after all my Just debts are paid I Give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Johanna Stringfellow the whole of my Bodily Estate ordering & hereby making her whole and sole Executrix and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills by me made IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal in Fort Saint George the 11th. July Anno Domini 1739.

ROBERT STRINGFELLOW (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed Published and declared to be my last Will and Testament in the presence of

REEVE JOBBINS.
A. GEDDES.

Examined & Compared with the Original.
℘ JOHN STRATTON.
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 13th. day of May A.D. 1740 the Will of Robert Stringfellow late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belongg. was and is hereby committed to Johanna Stringfellow sole Executrix in the will named, being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said Deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this

Court a true and perfect Inventory of the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 months Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg*[r].

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To George Torriano Principal Creditor of Richard Stephens late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Richard Stephens died lately there intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly Administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend & the Law oblige do relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all & singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first Sworn well & truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of Six months and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George 20th. day of May Anno Domini 1740.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg*[r].

THIS WRITING indented made the 27th. day of Febry. Anno Domini 1734 between John Hammond Merchant of Madras and Nathaniel Barlow of the same place of the one part and Ann Ingram of the same place Widow of the other part Whereas the said John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow have agreed to pay the said Ann Ingram the sum of $14\frac{1}{2}$ P[s]. ℔ month during her Natural life in considera. that they the said John Hammond and Nath[l]. Barlow shall be the Sole Heirs and Executors of in and to all the Estate and Effects which she said Ann Ingram shall dye seized or possed of (Except as hereunder is mentioned) which she the said Ann Ingram consents & agrees to testifyed by her Signing and Sealing these presents Now these presents Witness that the said John Hammond & Nath[l]. Barlow for and in consideration that they are to be & shall be the Sole Heirs & Executors of and to all and singular the Estate and Effects whatsoever both real & personal which she the said Ann Ingram shall dye possessed of or intitled unto they the said John Hammond and Nath[l]. Barlow Do hereby for themselves their Heirs Executors & Administrators Covenant & agree to and with the said Ann Ingram her Executors Admors and assigns that they the said John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow their Heirs Executors and Admrators or some of them shall and will monthly and on the first day of every month for and during so long time as she the said Ann Ingram shall happen to live as well and truly pay or Cause to be paid into the said Ann Ingram and her assigns the annuity or monthly sum of 14 P[s]. Current of Madras the first payment thereof to be made on the ffirst day of March next Ensuing the date hereof and the said Ann Ingram for herself her Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns doth hereby Covenant promise and agree to and with the said John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow their Heirs Executors Admors. and Assigns that she the said Ann Ingram shall & will by her last Will and Testament in Writing or

otherwise leave all and singular her Goods Chattells ready money Debts and Estate whatsoever both real and personal of what Nature or kind soever and wheresoever unto and Between the said John Hammond and Nath[l]. Barlow their Heirs Executors Admors and Assigns equally share and share alike and that they the said John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow shall be sole Executors of such Will or in default or for want of her the said Ann Ingrams making such last Will in manner aforesaid these presents shall be Deemed and taken as and for such Will to all Intents Constructions and purposes whatsoever, Except that she the said Ann Ingram shall have the Liberty by such Will as aforesaid or at any time during her Life to dispose of any other Money or other things whatever not Exceeding the Value of 40 Pagodas And Lastly It is declared and agreed by and between the said John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow for themselves their Heirs Executors & Admors that no Benefit or Advantage of Survivorship shall be had or taken by either of them but that the part and share of the Estate afs[d]. shall go unto & be had and enjoyed by the Heirs Executors and Administrators of the party deceased any Law or Custom to the Contrary Notwithstanding In Witness whereof the said partys have hereunto Interchangeably set their Hands & Seals in Fort Saint George the day and year first above written.

Ann Ingram. (L.S.)

John Hammond. (L.S.)

Nath: Barlow. (L.S.)

Sealed and Delivered (where no Stamp paper can be had) in the presence of

David Forbes.
Grant[M]. Bird

Examined and Compared with the Original.
℘ John Stratton *Reg[r]*.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it Known to all men by these presents that this 8th. day of July A.D. 1740 the Will of Ann Ingram late of Fort Saint George Widow deceased hereunto annexed was exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased was and is hereby committed to John Hammond and Nathaniel Barlow Executors in the said Will named being first Sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells & Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige them Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) Mayors Court

John Stratton *Reg[r]*. Timothy Tullie *Mayor*.

I Surramee Errue of Vizagapatam do make this my last Will and Testam[t]. Imprimis I declare that I am possessed of a large ship which I had from Peddapaucum Nina Chittee which I have let to M[r]. Sanderson on ffreight to Madrass Item I am possessed of one small Vessell and about 500 Rupees in money with which I directed Erue Pilla Periah to proceed to Conacah there to purchase a Lading of Grain and then to proceed to Madrass and on his Arrival to deliver up the large

ship at ffreight as above together with the small Vessell and her Cargo to Peddapaucum Nina Chitty Lastly I hereby appoint Erru Pilla Periah my Sole Executor.

Declared to be the last Will of Surroo Erru in the presence of

CHINNA GRUAH.
ANATOMA.
GRUAPAH.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 8th. day of July A.D. 1740 the Nuncupative Will of Surroo Erru late of Vizagapatam Merchant decēd hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all & singular the Goods Chattells & Credits and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was & is hereby Committed to Erru Pilla Periah Executor in the said Nuncupative Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend & the Law oblige him Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Thomas Mawsom Mariner being in Bodily health and of sound and disposing mind & memory and considering the Perils & dangers of the Seas and other uncertainties of this Transitory Life Doe for avoiding controversys after my decease make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in maner following (that is to say) first I recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body I Committ to the Earth or Sea as it shall please God to order and as for and concerning all my Worldly Estate I Give Bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth that is to say I Will that all my Just debts be paid I Give Devise and Bequeath unto my son Thomas Mawson to him and for his Sole use & Behoof all Wages Sum and Sums of money Lands Tenements Goods and Chattels and Estate whatsoever as shall be any ways due owing or belonging unto me at the time of my decease I do Give Devise and Bequeath the same unto the said Thomas Mawson my Son and I do hereby nominate & appoint my dearly beloved friend Henry Crawford Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other Wills Testaments and Deeds of Gift by me at any time heretofore made and I do ordain and Ratify these presents to stand & be for & as my only last Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof to this my said Will I have set my hand & seal the 16 day of April Anno Domini 1739 & in the 12th. Year of the Reign of his Majesty King George the 2d. over Great Britain &c.

THOs. MANSON.

Signed Sealed Published and Delivered in the presence of

HENRY MACADAMS.

Examined and Compared with the Origl.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg*r.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 8th. day of July Anno Domini 1740 the Will of Thomas Mawson late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all & singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deced in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Henry Crawford Sole Executor in the will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, & to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells & Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 8th. day of January Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.)

MAYORS COURT.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN the 28th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1731 I John Holme Mariner and Inhabitant of Madras being now Bound on a Voyage to China on Board the good ship Richmond being now in good health and in Perfect Mind and Memory, thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto Mind the mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to dye, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it, and my Body to be Interred in a decent and Christain like manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this life I Give Devise and leave to my Dear & well beloved Wife Mary Holme to be my whole & sole Executrix that is after my Decease to give remitt and dispose of my Estate at her own Discretion and in Case of her decease if she hath any Heirs of her own Body and to come to them and to their Heirs and Executors and to Ratify and Confirm this and no other to be my last will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal the day and year above mentioned in Fort St. George.

JNO: HOLE. (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered where no stamp paper is to be had in the presence of

JOSUA. LOVELL.
JN. DE LORIOL.
ROBT. HODGSON.

EXAMINED and compared with the Original.

℘ JOHN STRATTON *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 22d. day of July Anno Domini 1740 the Will of John Holme late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mary Holme (now Mary Mellon) sole Executrix in the said Will named, being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige her and

also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before one year & to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before one year from the date hereof Dated the day Month year and place abovementioned.

L.S.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor*.

MAYORS COURT.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r^*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I John Powney of Fort Saint George Merchant being in perfect and sound memory of Mind do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following IMPRIMIS I Give my Soul to him that gave it hoping through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have a free Pardon for all my Sins and to Inherit everlasting life I Will that my Body be Interred in the Burying Ground of St. Mary's Church near my three Children that lye Buried there and that a Vault be built and their Coffins be put in with mine let the Vault be made large and a large Tombstone be put over me and a Monument of Iron stone be put over the Vault 30 feet high which I reckon will cost about 700 Pagodas and what Estate God has been pleased to give me I dispose of as follows.

ITEM I Will that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be paid.

ITEM I Give unto my well beloved Wife Mary Powney my two dwelling Houses the one situated in Saint Thoma's street Fort St. George the other at St. Thoma's mount with all the ffurniture thereunto belonging likewise the Jewells she has in wear and all my Silver and Gold plate now in use with all my Slaves except two with my Horses Chaise and Pallanqueens and the sum of 10,000 Pags. in money.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Daughter Elizth. Hubbard 500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Daughter Renecca Casamajor 1000 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Henry Powney 1500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Herson Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Daughter Mary Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Thomas Poweny 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Charles Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Daughter Ann Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Richard Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son William Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Daughter Eleanor Powney 2500 Ps.

ITEM I Give unto my beloved Son Robin Powney 2500 Ps.

AND my Will is that My Sons do receive their Legacys at the age of 21 years and my Daughters at the age of 19 years or day of Marriage and in case of the death of any of them before they arrive to the forementioned Ages then my will is that their Legacys are divided as follows One Quarter part to my Son Henry Powney the other three quarters among the rest of my Children then living Item I Give unto my beloved Sister Mary Priest 1000 Ps. to be paid her when my youngest child is 16 years of age and likewise 30 £. Sterling ℔ Annum till that time. I likewise Give to her & her Husband 150 Ps. for to buy them Mourning and two rings to be sent them by the first Conveyance.

ITEM I Give unto my Cousin John Priest and his Wife 150 Ps. for Mourning and each of them a Ring.

ITEM I Give unto my good friend Thomas Hall Esqr. & his wife 150 Ps. for Mourning and each of them a Ring.

ITEM I Give unto my Good friend Mr. William Wood 75 Ps. for Mourning and a Ring.

ITEM I Give unto M^{r}. Thomas Cook & his Wife 30 P^{s}. each for Mourning and each of them a Ring.

ITEM I Give unto my good friend M^{r}. Nich^{o}. Morse & his Wife 30 P^{s}. each for Mourning and each of them a Ring.

I Will that 40 Mourning Rings be made and given as I have before mentioned the remainder of them to be given among my friends and oldest Acquaintance.

I Give my Slave Paul his Liberty and 10 P^{s}. my Slave Alice I Give to my son Henry Powney for 3 years and at the Expira. of that time he is to have his Liberty & 20 P^{s}. to be paid him ITEM I Give unto all my children and the Husbands of those that are married 50 P^{s}. each for Mourning and a Ring And for the Executing this my last Will and Testament I do hereby appoint my well beloved wife Mary Powney my good Friend M^{r}. Nicholas Morse and my Beloved son Henry Powney my Executors and in Case of the death of all or either of them or of their Removal then I do appoint M^{r}. Noah Casamajor and M^{r}. Cornelius Goodwin to Act as my Executors Jointly with any of them that may remain here And as I apprehend M^{r}. Nicholas Morse will have the most trouble in Executing this my will I do therefore give him 500 P^{s}.

I Will that all my Childrens Legacys that are under age be put out at Land Interest here or in Bengal to known Gentlemen of Credit But in Case it can be let out upon security I would give that the Preferrence and at the rate of one ℘ Cent less than the usual Interest In Case the Ministers and Church Wardens of Saint Marys Church Fort Saint George will take the one half of my six youngest Childrens Legacys into the Church stock and not draw Commission on it when paid out, upon that Consideration I Leave a Legacy of 500 P^{s}. to the said Church NOW to the best of my knowledge I have disposed of 5/8^{ths}. of my Estate or thereabouts, if all that I have abroad comes home safe and as my true Intent and meaning is that all my Children should fare alike Except my son Henry to whom I have given the chance of having more in Case of the death of any of his Younger Brothers or Sisters before they come of age Therefore my Will is that two Thirds of the Remainder of my Estate be put out at Land Interest and the other third to be let out at Respondentia but no more than 500 P^{s}. upon a ship And the produce of that money or as much thereof as is necessary to be sent to England for the maintenance of my Children and sister and for the expence of bringing them to India and for binding the Boys apprentices to such Trades or Callings as they may be Inclined, & when they are abroad the expence for their Maintenance as well as the Girls to be paid unto my wife their mother and those Charges and Expences to continue until the youngest of my Children is arrived to the age of 17 years.

ITEM I Give unto Randal Fowke Esqr. 30 P^{s}. for mourning.

ITEM I Give unto M^{r}. Cornelius Goodwin 30 Pagodas for Mourning.

ITEM I Give unto the two Ministers of Saint Marys Church Fort S^{t}. George 25 P^{s}. each.

ITEM I Give unto the Charity School 50 Pagodas.

Now the remainder of my Estate I dispose of as follows After my Youngest Child is arrived at the age of 17 years viz. one 8th. part to my Beloved Wife Mary Powney one 8th. part to my Beloved son Henry Powney and the other three quarters to be divided among the rest of my Children then living.

And this I declare to be my last will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made Dated in Fort Saint George this 14th. day of August Anno Domini 1740.

JOHN POWNEY.

(L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed by the Testator where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of

JOHN STRATTON.
JOHN HAMMOND.
EDW^{D}. FOWKE.

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.
℔ JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 16th. day of Sepr. Anno Domini 1740 the Will of John Powney late of ffort saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Mary Powney Nicholas Morse & Henry Powney Executors in the will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will mentioned as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the 16th. day of Sepr. A.D. 1742 Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(L.S.)
MAYORS COURT.

TIMOTHY TULLIE *Mayor.*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^{r}.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN I Peter Griffith of Madras in the East Indies Merchant being in sound and perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament *Imprimis* I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the merits death and passion of my saviour Jesus Christ to have full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life my Body I desire may be Decently Buried.

ITEM I Will and Bequeath to my most worthy. Friend Thomas Frederick Esquire 200 P^{s}.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to M^{rs}. Mary Dubois 100 Pagodas.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my Worthy Friend M^{r}. Edwd. Jones 30 P^{s}.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my Friend M^{r}. Henry Jolley 20 P^{s}.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath the residue of my Estate to the Children of M^{rs}. Martha Maddox and M^{rs}. Mary Hodgson deceased my Beloved Aunts to be distributed at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

LASTLY I appoint the above said Thomas Frederick Esqr. my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and in Case of his mortality his Executors in England and Messrs. Francis Hugonin and Samuel Synnock of Madras Trustees for my affairs in India whom I have appointed my Executors there to act for me according to my Instructions given them or what further orders they shall receive from me or my Executor IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal to two of this Tenor & date annulling & making void all other Wills that shall before have been made by me Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 15th. day of Decr. 1718.

PETER GRIFFITH (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Declared by the said Peter Griffith where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of us.

Henry Sapostre.
G. M. Pitt.
W. Bowridge.

Examined & Compared with the Original.

ꝑ John Stratton *Regr.*

The Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

To Peritombe Principal Creditor of Peter Griffith late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased send Greeting.

Whereas the said Peter Griffith did whilst living make his last Will & Testament hereunto annext and did therein nominate and appoint Thomas Frederick Esquire his sole Executor which said Executor being since dead We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Effects shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity commit to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend & the Law oblige and also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of six months and to render into this Court a (L.S.) true and just account of all the Effects of the said decẽd at or before the Expiration of 12 months from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Mayors Court. Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 30th. day of Sepr. 1740.

Timothy Tullie *Mayor.*

John Stratton *Regr.*

Copys of Wills, Probats, and
Letters of Administration taken from
the Registry of the
Hon̄ble the Mayors Court at
Madraspatnam. Anno. 1741.

September 28th. 1738.

I Attaputy Kistnomah having a large sum of money at this time oweing to me from Copertee Pera Lingum and also several sums from Matoor Vencatashia and Copertee Verapah do hereby appoint Attrauze Moodelare my Executor to Collect in the same and request of him that whatever Charges Charity or other Expences he may be at in so doing that he deduct them out of what he shall receive from the above mentioned persons and the residue thereof I Will may be paid

unto my son Annuntaoondo further Requesting of the said Attrauze Moodelare that he will continue (if necessary) to act as my Executor for the space of in recovering the debts aforesaid.

WITNESS.

ATTYPUTTY KISTNOMAH.

Locumbrum.
Trevengadum.
Drawn by Oppiah.

Registred.
℘ JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r*.
TRANSLATED from the Original.
GEO : JONES *Examiner*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPAT.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 27th. day of January Anno Domini 1740/1. the Will of Attyputty Kistnomah late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to Attrauze Moodelare sole Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased at or before the Expiration of Twelve months from the date hereof Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor*.

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To William Douglas Friend and Intimate acquaintance of Patrick Guthree late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Patrick Guthree dyed lately on Board the Brigantine Syrian Merchant in his Passage from Pegu to Bengal intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend & the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 10th. day of September next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the 10th. day of March A.D. 1741/2 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all the said singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George the 10th. day of March A.D. 1740/1.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SIDNEY FOXAL *Mayor*

JOHN STRATTON *Reg^r*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Charles Simpson of Vizagapatam Merchant being weak in Body but of sound mind and memory do make my last will and Testament in manner and form following I devoutly resign my soul into the Hands of God who gave it and my Body to be decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and for such Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with after the payment of all my just debts the remainder I Give and Bequeath to be equally divided between my Wife Elizabeth Simpson and my son Charles Simpson by my first Wife Martha Simpson and it is my desire, that my son Charles's Proportion be put into the Church Stock of Madras if they care to take it in to lye there til he shall attain the age of 20 years, and in case he should dye before the age of 20 his half to come to my ever Honoured Mother Johanna Simpson and upon her Decease to come to my Brothers Christopher & William Simpson Or Either of the Survivors. And I Constitute my Wife Elizabeth Simpson to be my Executrix and Mr. John Savage and Mr. Wm. Percival Executors Jointly with her Item I Give and Bequeath to my Mother in Law Mrs. Martha Simpson now living at Portsmouth £. 100 sterling and I Declare this to be my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made IN WITNESS whereof I hereunto set my Hand & Seal in Vizagapatam the 29th. March 1741.

CHA : SIMPSON (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in presence of us.

THOMAS PELLING.
GODFREY BOEHOME.

JOHN HAMMOND,
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE it known to all Men by these presents that this 9th. day of June A.D. 1741 the Will of Charles Simpson late of Vizagapatam mercht. deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Savage and William Percival Executors in the Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull Debts of the said deceased as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before 12 months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 9th. day of December A.D. 1742. (reserving Power of granting the like administration to Elizabeth Simpson when she comes to pray the same) Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(L.S.)
MAYORS COURT.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Edward Michell born the 9th. day of April in the year of our Lord 1714 at Chittern in the Country of Wilts now of Fort Saint George in the East Indies Merchant being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind memory and understanding do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I Recommend my soul to God hoping to receive forgiveness of all my sins and as to the Worldly Estate I am blessed with I Give Devise and Bequeath the same as herein after mentioned and first I will order and direct that all my just debts and funeral Expences be first paid and discharged and that a stone be laid over my Grave according to the Directions I shall give my Executors herein named ITEM I Give Devise and

Bequeath unto Sarah Irving Daughter of Captain John Irving late of Fort Saint George aforesaid deceased All that my House Ground and appurtenances whatsoever thereto belongg. situate and being at the Mount in Saint Thomas's Lane adjoining to premisses belonging to Mr. Rawson Hart To Hold to her the said Sarah Irving her Heirs and Assigns for ever from and after the time she shall attain her full age of 16 years and in the meantime and until the said Sarah Irving shall attain her said age of 16 years I will Order and Direct that the said House Ground and premisses shall be and remain to the sole use and Benefit and in the possession of John Hammond of Fort Saint George aforesaid merchant and Ann his Wife Item I Give and Bequeath unto the said John Hammond and Ann his Wife 30 Ps. each for mourning and Ten Ps. each to buy them Rings Item I Give and Bequeath unto John Stratton Esqr. and Mary his Wife 10 Ps. each to buy them Rings Item I Give and Devise and Bequeath unto my Dear & well Beloved mother Ann Michell of Chittern aforesaid the sum of 30 £. sterling for mourning and 10 £. of like money for a Ring Item I Give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Brother Christopher Gore Michell Esqr. of Chittern aforesaid 30 £. sterling for mourning and 10 £. of like money for a Ring Item I Give Devise and Bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my Real and personal Estate whatsoever and wheresoever unto my well Beloved Brothers Captain Mathew Michell The Revd. Thomas Michell Mr. Robert Michell and Mr. Francis Michell to be Equally divided amongst them share & share alike and I do Nominate constitute and appoint my Trusty friends Sidney Foxall Esqr. and Mr. Cornelius Goodwin both of Fort Saint George aforesaid Merchants to be Executors of this my will and do desire them that they will Transmitt a just and true account of my small ffortune directed to my said mother and Brothers hereby Revoking Disannulling and making Void all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore made in Word or Writing In witness whereof the said Testator hath hereunto set his hand and seal this 5th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1741.

Edwd. Michell (L.S.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Testator Edward Michell as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have in his presence and at his Request & in the sight of each other subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto.

John Taylor.
Robt. Turing.
Joseph Bacon.
John Hammond *Regr.*

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 9th. day of June A.D. 1741 The Will of Edward Michell late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Sidney Foxall Esquire and Cornelius Goodwin Executors in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawfull debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits

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at or before 12 months from the date hereof & to render into this Court a true & just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 9th. day of December in the year of our Lord 1742 Dated the day month year & place abovementioned.

SAMUEL HARRISON.
Senr. Alderman.

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

FORT ST. DAVID JUNE THE 5TH. 1741.

I ZACHARIAH FOXALL appoint for my Lawfull and Trusty Executor Mr. Sidney Foxall at Madras to dispose of the following partars Vizt.

To mourning Pags. 30 for himself.

My house and a Garden in the Collway for my Child Thomas Foxall and Ps. 30 to his mother.

To my Brother John Foxall £. 100.

The rest to my Uncle Zachariah Foxall Esqr. in case of his decease To my Younger Brother Thomas Foxall This is my last Will and Testament Witness my Hand.

ZACHH. FOXALL.

SIGNED (the 16th. Instant) in the presence of

CHARLES FLOYER &
WILL MC. KNIGHT.
JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

BE IT KNOWN unto all men by these presents that this 19th. day of June A.D. 1741 The Will of Zachariah Foxall late of Fort Saint David Merchant deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited & proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Sidney Foxall Esquire Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 19th. day of June next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 19th. day of December which will be in the year of our Lord 1742. Dated the day Month year and place first abovementioned.

SAMUEL HARRISON.
Senr. Alderman.

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To WILLIAM PERCIVAL and Samuel Afflick Friends to George Torriano late of Fort Saint George Torriano Merchant deceased We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received

and all his just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige Do hereby Relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and Singular the Goods Chattels and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the sixth day of October next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the sixth day of April which will be in the year 1743 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this sixth day of October A.D. 1741.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor*

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To William Percival and Samuel Afflick ffriends to Susannah Torriano late of Fort St. George deceased Widow and Relict of George Torriano late of the same place merchant We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deced be Demanded and Received and all her Just debts paid as far as her Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend & the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the sixth day of October next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the sixth day of April 1743 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 6th. day of October in the year of our Lord 1741.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor*.

JOHN MAMMOND *Regr*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD Amen I Thomas Philips of Fort Saint George Mariner now Bound on a Voyage to sea knowing the uncertaintys of Human life being now in perfect health & memory do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following.

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God in hopes of Salvation through the merits and mediation of our Lord Jesus Christ and do give my Body either to the sea or Ground as shall happen and in such manner as my Executors hereafter named shall think fitt ITEM I Will and desire that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be duly discharged and paid off the remaining part I Bequeath to my Dear Beloved Wife Simoa Phillips all that is remaining after my Legacys are paid.

ITEM I Give to Mr. George Jones a mourning Ring about 6 Ps.

ITEM to my Father and Mother and Aunt three pieces of Black Taffety.

ITEM I do bequeath to my servant Andrew 20 Rupees I do hereby allow this to be my last Will and Testament I do hereby revoke annull and make void all Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made declaring this to be my last Will and Testament.

MADRAS JULY 11TH. 1740.

THOS. PHILLIPS.

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Simoa Phillips Widow and Relict of Thomas Phillips late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased send Greeting Whereas the said Thomas Phillips lately deceased did whilst Living make his last Will and Testament hereunto annext without having therein nominated and appointed any Executor But thereby did appoint the said Simoa Phillips residuary Legatee.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said Deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 13th. day of October next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 13 day of April 1743 and we do by these presents appoint you Administratrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 13th. day of October A.D. 1741.

SIDNEY FOXALL *Mayor.*

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

COPY'S OF WILLS, PROBATS and
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATIONS taken
From the Registry of the
HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT OF
MADRASPATNAM.
ANNO. 1742.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Richard Fullerton now Living in Fort St. George Quarter Gunner being in an ill state of health but of sound mind and perfect memory and knowing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof do make this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made of what kind soever or wheresoever made.

I Leave my soul to God who gave it, Trusting in the merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ for Redemption at the last day my Body I Committ to the Earth or Sea where it shall fall out, and as to what worldy Goods it hath pleased God to bless me with I now dispose of them in manner and form following.

Imprimis I Will and appoint as Executor of this my last Will & Testament Francis Sawyer To have and to hold all my Estate Goods and Chattells that shall remain after my Decease IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & seal in ffort St. George this 2d. day of January Anno Domini 1741/2.

RICHD. FULLERTON

(L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered by the Testator in the presence of us (where no stampt paper is to be had).

THOMAS TIPPING.
WILLIAM TANSIN.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

JOHN HAMMOND *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 12th. day of January Anno Domini 1741/2 The Will of Richard Fullerton of Fort Saint George Quarter Gunner deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Francis Sawyer Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 12th. day of July next and to render a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 12th. day of January which will be in the year of our Lord 1742/3 dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

CORNELIUS GOODWIN *Mayor.*

JOHN HAMMOND *Reg^{r}.*

IT has pleased Almighty God to bless me with a good state of health and a Competent fortune, For these and many more of his mercys Hallowed be his name.

BEING now in a firm state of health and understanding and least the same should any ways be Impaired by accident or the like I make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

I GEORGE DRAKE of Fort S^{t}. George in the East Indies heartily thanking my two most esteemed ffriends George Morton Pitt. Esqr. late Governour of this place and Richard Benyon Esqr. now Govr. of this place for their Great Friendships and Civilitys to me and Trusting that they will have the same Care and Concern for my ffamily after my death as they have all along Expressed for me, and them whilst I was alive I entreat therefore the said Richard Benyon, George Morton Pitt Esqure and my Beloved Wife Sophia Drake and I do accordingly Declare and appoint the said Richard Benyon, George Morton Pitt Esqr. and my Wife Sophia Drake to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

AND thus I Give and Bequeath unto Richard Benyon, George Morton Pitt Esqr. and to my Wife Sophia Drake all my Goods Plate Jewells Jewells [*sic*] and all other my Estate whatsoever to them I say their Heirs Executors and Assigns In Trust only and for the uses hereafter mentioned and the Benefit of my family and persons hereafter mentioned.

To my Beloved Wife Sophia Drake I Give and Bequeath all my Plate Jewells Watches House Furniture and Dead stock of any kind whatsoever to be my Wifes for ever.

To my Brother and sister Martyn of Norfolkstreet each of them I Give the sum of 20 £. sterling to buy them mourning I beg each of my Executors to accept of the sum of 200 P^{s}. and I do accordingly Give and Bequeath to each of my said Executors the sum of 200 P^{s}. to buy them a Ring and mourning.

After my debts and Legacys are paid and Funeral Charges defrayed and an exact Estimate of my Estate being taken, It is my Will and I would accordingly have then one third part of my said Real Estate placed out to use in such a manner as that there may be no danger of Waste or any Decrease of the said Principal so placed out and the produce and profits of such one third part of my Estate to be annually paid to my Wife and so to be continued unto her during her natural Life only and no longer.

THE other two thirds of my Estate it is my Will and Desire that the same be distributed in equal shares and proportions amongst my Children as well to that Child or Children my wife may be now going with as amongst those who are now

Living and in Case of the death of any Child or Children he she or they have his hers or their Fortunes paid to them or arrive at the age of 21 years I Will then that the deceased his hers or their be equally divided amongst my surviving Children and if there be but one Child alive the whole of my Estate to go to that one Child so living and as I have all the reason in the world to be convinced of the Love Honour and Friendship of my said Executors and that they will do as well if not much better for my children then I could do for them if I was living I leave it entirely then to their discretion to give any child or Children his hers or their Fortune or Fortunes at such a time or age as they my said Executors or the Majority of them shall think most proper and fitting for them in order to set out and further my said Children with more advantage to them in this wide world.

It is my will also that, that third part of my Estate appropriated for the use and Benefit of my wife do so continue for her use and Benefit during her natural life only and that it be on her Decease distributed amongst my Children in the same manner and proportions as I have already appointed my Childrens two thirds shall be.

Thus I take my leave of the world Desiring I may be Buried in as private a manner as Decency will permitt and thanking my two much esteemed Friends George Morton Pitt Esquire and Richard Benyon Esqr. for all their Friendship and Civilitys to me trusting as I am now gone that they will be kind to my wife and Children so wishing Health Honour and Happiness to them both I Recommend my soul and Body to the External and ever Blessed God who gave me my being This will written with my own hand I sign and seal this 26th. day of August 1738.

George Drake (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Declared to be the last will and Testament of George Drake in the presence of us who saw him seal & subscribe to the same.

S. Harrison.
Geo: Robt. Dickinson.

I having disposed of my Daughter Nanny in marriage and Given her the sum of 5000 Pagodas it is my Will and I do accordingly direct that she do share alike with the rest of my children allowing for her having already had and received 5000 P^s^. as for instance suppose two thirds of my Estate divides to each Child 3000 £. then and in such Case my Daughter Nanny or Ann is to have £. 1000 more and no more she Ann having already had 2000 £.

In short it is my Will that my Children share all alike and as near as possible that one Child has not more than another Child. This Codicil is written with my own hand in Fort S^t^. George this 26th. day of August 1738.

George Drake (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Delivered to be a Codicil to M^r^. Drakes last Will and Testament in the presence of us who saw him seal and subscribe to the same.

S. Harrison.
Geo: Robt. Dickinson.

Having appointed my beloved Wife Sophia Drake in the Body of my Will to be one of my Trustees to it, in Concert with George Morton Pitt Esqr. and Richard Benyon Esqr. I make this Codicil to my said Will therefore on purpose to disengage my said Wife from that Trust It being my will that she do not Act at all in that Trust and I do accordingly Desire and direct the same now here. But I do desire and it is my Will also that Nathaniel Elwick and James Hubbard Esquire the latter having accepted of the said Trust that they be Joined and do act as Trustees to my said Will in concert with George Morton Pitt and Richard Benyon Esquires and I do accordingly desire and direct that the said Nathaniel Elwick and James Hubbard Esquires be Trustees to this my last will and Testament in Concert as above with George Morton Pitt and Richard Benyon Esquires This Codicil is written with my own hand in Fort Saint George this 15th. day of January 1739/40.

George Drake (L.S.)

Vide Probat granted to R^{d}. Benyon Esq. p. 57.

Signed Sealed and Declared to be a Codicil to M^{r}. Drake's last Will and Testament in the presence of us who saw him seal and subscribe to the same.

Eden Howard.
John Russell.

Examined and Compared with the Original January 19th. 1741/2.
E.

Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

These are to Certify to whom it may Concern that on this 19th. day of January 1741/2 the last Will and Testament of George Drake late of Fort Saint George in the East Indies merchant together with a Codicil thereto annext bearing date the 26th. day of August 1738 were Exhibited read & proved in this Court by the Oath of Samuel Harrison of the same place merchant the only surviving Witness thereto subscribed, as also another Codicil to the said will annext dated the 15th. day of January 1739/40 by the Oaths of the Reverend Eden Howard Clerk and John Russell Merchant both of the same place the only subscribing Witnesses thereto. True Copys of which said Will and Codicils are hereunto affixed as Witness my hand.

(L.S.) Mayors Court.

Corn^{s}. Goodwin *Mayor*.

Joseph Bacon.
Cl: Reg^{r}. Jur.

On Board Ship King William January 6th. 1741. I James Sanders being very weak of Body do add this Codicil to my will left in England abstract of which is on board the ship Viz^{t}.

I Give to M^{r}. Humphreys my surgeon the sum of 100 P^{s}. for his great care and attendance on me during my long illness.

Item I leave the Command of Ship King William to M^{r}. Joseph Phillips my Chief mate, and to ease him in such an Expensive employ give and Bequeath to him all my Cabbin and Table ffurniture (Plate and Cases of Knives and fforks excepted, I also give him my Books of Navigation and sea Charts and Instruments. By Cabbin & Table ffurniture I mean all the Linnen &c. thereto belonging I also give him what stock of Wines and other Liquors are intended for my homeward bound Passage to England I now recommend it to him to take a very exact Inventory of what I leave on board the ship in presence of the principal Officers and let them sign it. However I desire my Executors in England not to be too strict in Enquiring into Trifles, my Servants I hope he will be kind to, and behave in so prudent a manner that the heavy Charge which devolves to him may before his

future advantage I Give to my Worthy ffriend Nicholas Morse Esqr. of Fort S^{t}. George my Diamond Brilliant Ring, and to William Monson Esqr. that Ring with two stones Provided I dye in India, and having now finished my Intentions, I sign this on Board the ship King William the day and year abovementioned.

JAMES SANDERS

Examined and Compared with the Original this 27th. January 1741.

℘ JOSEPH BACON *Reg*^{r}. *Jur.*

MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

THESE are to Certify to whom it may concern that on this 27th. day of Jañry 1741 the paper writing hereunto annext bearing date the 6th. day of Jañry instant (purporting to be a Codicil to be added to the last Will and Testament of James Sanders deceased late Commander of the ship King William in the service of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies) was Exhibited read and proved in this Court by the Oaths of Edward Ward and Onesipherus Tindall both belonging to the said ship persons who have often seen him write and are all acquainted with the Character and manner of his hand writing As Witness my hand.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

CORN^{S}. GOODWIN *Mayor.*

JOSEPH BACON.
Cl. Reg^{r}. *Jur.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Henry Crawford of Fort Saint George being in sound mind and perfect memory do hereby ordain this to be my last will and Testament.

First I leave my soul to Almighty God who gave it me and my Body to the Grave to be decently Interred and after my funeral Charges and all my other Lawfull debts are discharged I leave the residue of my Estate either here in Europe or any where else where debts may be due to me, to my dearly beloved Wife Ann Crawford and that the Estate in Lancashire in favour of Elizabeth and Ann Plumbe Children of the deceased William Plumbe being indebted to me this day for 5 years charges paid in England on account of the above said Elizabeth Plumbe as also the charges in recovering the Estate paid by my attorney both amounting to upwards of £. 300 Sterling which sum I will and ordain for the use and behoof of the said two Children and that the said Estate be not incumbred with it I do Constitute and appoint the said Ann Crawford my sole Executrix to this my last will and Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore made having signed and sealed this in Fort Saint George this 24th. April 1734.

HENRY CRAWFORD.

in the presence of
Examined and Compared with the Original.
(no seal or witness)

℘ JOSEPH BACON *Cler. Reg*^{r}. *Jur.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 28th. day of January Anno Domini 1741/2 the Will of Henry Crawford late of Fort S^{t}. George merchant Deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Ann Crawford his Widow Relict and Executrix therein named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige her and also Exhibit into this Court a true and

perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 28th. day of January next ensuing the date here of and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 28th. day of July which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

CORNELIUS GOODWIN *Mayor.*

JOSEPH BACON
Cl. Regr. Jur.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Townsend now of Syrian in the Kingdom of Pegu being of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament and first I recommend my soul to Almighty God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be Buried at the discretion of my Executrix herein after named and touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and Bequeath in the same in manner and form following.

Imprimis my mind and Will is that all my Just debts which I shall owe at my decease and my funeral Expences shall be paid and discharged and after payment thereof I Give and bequeath the residue and remainder as follows. To my Honoured Father Luke Townsend of Hackney the sum of 300 £. Sterling to be paid out of the sum of 5500 Rupees now in the hands of Mr. William Davis of Calcutta in the Kingdom of Bengal Gent. and the rest of the aforesaid sum of 5500 Rupees with the Interest that shall become due thereon to be equally divided between my well beloved Brother and Sister Luke Townsend and Ellis Townsend.

ITEM To Mrs. Rosa Garoua I Give the sum of 300 Rupees and all her plate Jewells &c. now in the Custody of my beloved Wife Isabella Townsend.

ITEM all the rest residue and remainder of my wordly Estate whatsoever I Give and Bequeath to my Dear and well beloved Wife to be disposed of as she shall think fitting without being accountable to any one, and I do hereby revoke all former wills by me made and declare this to be my last Will and Testament I do constitute and appoint the said Isabella Townsend my wife to be the sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th. day of March in the year of our Lord 1739/40.

WM. TOWNSEND (L.S.)

SIGNED and Delivered on plain paper where no stampt paper is used in the presence of us.

PATRICK GUTHRIE Witness.
JOHN HERIOT.
JNO. INCE.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ JOSEPH BACON.
Cl: Regr. Jur.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this sixth day of February Anno Domini 1741/2 The Will of William Townsend late of Syrian in the Kingdom of Pegu deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells to the deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Isabella Townsend his Widow Relict and Executrix therein named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, and to pay the lawfull debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall extend and the Law oblige her and also Exhibit into this Court a true & perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the sixth

day of February next Ensuing the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 6th. day of August which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 Dated the day month year and place first above mentioned.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

JOSEPH BACON.
Cl: Reg^r. Jur.

CORNELIUS GOODWIN,
Mayor.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To John Taylor of Fort Saint George Mariner principal Creditor of Captn. Thomas Horne late of Bencoolen deceased We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your fidelity Committ to you the administra. of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods on or before the 9th. day of August next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the ninth day of February in the year 1742 and we do by these presents appoint you administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits at Fort Saint George this 9th. day of February A.D. 1741.

L.S.

MAYORS COURT.

JOSEPH BACON *Reg^r.*

CORNELIUS GOODWIN *Mayor.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To Ann Crawford Widow Relict and Executrix of Henry Crawford late of Fort Saint George Merchant deceased.

WHEREAS George Robert Dickinson deceased did whilst living make his last Will and Testament hereunto annext and did therein nominate and appoint the said Henry Crawford Executor who proved the same and took upon him the Execution thereof And Whereas the said Henry Crawford after he had Probat granted to him of the said will as aforesaid is also dead Leaving sev^l. Goods Chattells and Credits of the said George Robert Dickinson not fully administred We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said George Robert Dickinson deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said George Robert Dickinson deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity committ to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the same deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 23d. day of August next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the said 23d. day of August and we do by these presents appoint you administratrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort S^t. George this 23d. day of February A.D. 1741/2.

CORNELIUS GOODWIN.
Mayor.

JOSEPH BACON.
Cl: Regr. Jur.

WHEREAS Samuel Turner and John Tarreira both of Madraspatnam Mariners did sometime past at Canton in China invest the sum of 1504 Pagodas in Sundry Goods Wares and merchandize to be sold and disposed of for their mutual profit or Loss in proportion to the respective sums of money by them severally advanced and invested of which said sum he the said Samuel Turner did advance the sum of 583 Pagodas and he the said John Tarreira the sum of 921 Pagodas making together the said sum of 1504 Ps. AND WHEREAS several of the said Goods having been sold and disposed of they the said Samuel Turner and John Terreira did on the 20th. day of this instant March settle and adjust all accounts between them whereby it does and will appear that there is to the value of 205. 14 fanams and no more being part of the said Investment remaining in the hands of the said John Terreira to be sold and disposed of for the Benefit of the said Samuel Turner AND WHEREAS the said Samuel Turner is at this time in an ill state of health and being willing to prevent any disputes ariseing after his death about the same doth hereby order and direct (in Case of his death) that the said John Terreira shall sell the said Goods Wares & Merchandizes so remaining for the most & best price that can be got for the same & that shall after deducting such necessary charges and Expences as he shall be at in and about the same) apply the remaining produce thereof towards payment of the ffuneral charges and just debts of him the said Samuel Turner as far as the same will extend and in case there shall be any overplus after payment of his funeral Charges and just debts as aforesaid He the said Samuel Turner doth hereby order and direct that the same shall be and enure to the sole use Behoof and Benefit of him the said John Terreira his Executors Administrators and Assigns as the best acknowledgment he is able to make in return for the many ffavours he has received of him the said John Terreira But in Case the said Samuel Turner shall survive this his Indisposition or shall during his Life think it necessary to call the said John Terreira to an account for the Goods and Effects so remaining in his hands as aforesaid That then and in such Case the said John Terreira shall account for the same to him the said Samuel Turner as if these presents had never been made Dated in Madraspatnam this 22nd. day of March 1741/2.

SAML. TURNER (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of

FRS. STARLING.
JOSEPH BACON.

Examined and Compared with the Original.
℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

I Samuel Turner being possessed of sundry Goods and Effects (which I have not mentioned in my fforegoing Testamentary schedule) do hereby order and Direct that all my Estate and Effects in India not therein disposed of shall be & Enure to the same use and uses intents and purposes as in and by my said Testamentary schedule I have ordered and directed the sum of 205. 14 fans. therein mentioned and do desire that this Codicil shall be Deemed and taken as part of my foregoing Testamentary schedule bearing even date herewith Vizt. the 22d. day of March 1741/2.

SAML. TURNER (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of

FRAS. STARLING.
JOSEPH BACON.

Examined and Compared with the Original.
℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To John Terreira of Madraspatnam Mariner Residuary Legatee of Samuel Turner late of the same place Merchant.

WHEREAS the said Samuel Turner did whilst living make his Testamentary schedule and Codicil hereunto annext without having therein Nominated and appointed any Executor but the said John Terreira residuary Legatee of all his Estate and Effects in India. We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby Relying on your fidelity Committ to you the administration of all & singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased in any wise belonging in India being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true & perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits on or before the 30th. day of September next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 30th. day of March which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells & Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 30th. day of March A.D. 1742.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Register*.

CORNS. GOODWIN *Mayor*.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I William Hopkins of Fort Saint George Mariner now going on a voyage to England and considering the uncertainty of this Transitory life do make my last will and Testament for disposal of my worldly Estate in manner and form following.

Imprimis I will and Require all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be well and truly paid.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my Loving mother living at Domay in Tonqueen 50 Arcot Rupees.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my beloved Sister Joanna Ross 50 Arcot Rupees.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my Friend Mr. John Hammond sixty Ps. for a Ring.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath to my beloved Brother Charles Hopkins and sister Ann Walton the residue of my estate (after all my Just debts Funeral Charges and Legacys aforesaid paid) to be Equally Divided between them & Enjoined by them LASTLY I appoint my said Brother Charles Hopkins and sister Ann Walton my true and Lawfull Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made and declaring this to be my only true and last Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal in Fort Saint George the 10th. day of October Anno Domini 1740.

WILLM. HOPKINS (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Declared to be the last Will & Testament of the Testator (where no Stamped paper is to be had) in the presence of us.

JOHN GREENWOOD.
FRANS. MENDES.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR.
Register.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 18th. day of May Anno Domini 1742 The Will of William Hopkins late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annexed was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to Ann Walton Executrix in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well & truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacies in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased & the Law oblige her and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 18th. day of May next ensuing the date hereof and to render into this Court a true & Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 18th. day of Novr. which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 Reserving power of Granting the like Probat to Charles Hopkin, Executor therein also named when he shall come and pray the same Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

Corns. Goodwin *Mayor.*

N.B.

This Letter of Administration did not go into Execution the following one being Granted Jointly to William Hopkins & Ann Walton.

N.C. *Regr.*

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all men by these presents that this 29th. day of June Anno Domini 1742 The Will of William Hopkins late of ffort Saint George Mariner deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court & Administration of all & singular the Goods Chattells & Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was & is hereby Committed to Charles Hopkins and Ann Walton Executor & Executrix in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattels & Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige them And also to exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 29th. day of June which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the 29th. day of December then next ensuing Dated the day Month year & place abovementioned.

L.S.

Mayors Court.

Noah Casamajor. *Regr.*

Corns. Goodwin *Mayor.*

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 20th. day of July in the year of our Lord 1742 the Will of George Drake late of Fort Saint George in the East Indies merchant deceased and Codicils hereunto annext were exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed

Vide the Will and Codicils herein referred to pp. 49–51.

to Richard Benyon Esquire Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 20th. day of January next Ensuing the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the 20th. day of July which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 Reserving Power of Granting the like administration to George Morton Pitt Esqr. and Sophia Drake Executor & Executrix therein also named when he or she shall come and pray the same Dated the day month year and place above mentioned.

Noah Casamajor. Corns. Goodwin *Mayor*.
Regr.

In the name of God Amen I James Nevill now residing in Fort Saint George in the East Indies considering the Infirmitys and mortality of Man the Certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time and hour of it do think fit to make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following First recommending my Immortal soul into the hands of God and of our Saviour Jesus Christ and my Mortal Body to the Earth.

I do Bequeath unto my Cousin Parnell Nevill of London the sum of 100 £. sterling money of England.

I do Bequeath unto my Cousin John Twigg of Dublin the sum of 100 £. sterling money of England.

I do Bequeath unto my Nephew Arthur Jones the son of my sister Mary the sum of 1000 £. sterling money of England and unto my Neice Mary Jones Daughter of my said sister Mary the like sum of £. 1000 sterling money of Great Britain.

I do Bequeath unto Mr. Richard Bourchier formerly in the service of the East India Company in Bengal the sum of 500 £. sterling money of Great Britain to be by him Employed as he shall think proper for the use and Benefit of his Children.

I do Bequeath the Residue of my Estate unto my Brother Richard Nevill of Furnace in the Country of Kildare in Ireland and I do appoint him the said Richard Nevill to be my Executor of this my last Will. But in Case he should dye before me then I Bequeath the residue of my Estate unto my Nephew Arthur Jones and my Neice Mary Jones in the following proportion that is two thirds to my Nephew Arthur Jones and one third part to my Neice Mary Jones Whereas Mr. Richard Bourchier aforementioned was indebted to me the 30th. day of September Anno 1735 in the sum of Rupees 46343. 2 as. 6 ps. Current money of Calcutta in Bengal in which debts Mr. John Durley since deceased was concerned with me the sum of Rupees 8613. 5 as. 13 ps. a part of which debt has been paid us by the Trustees to whom the said Richard Bourchier did deliver up all his Estate for the use of his Creditors at several payments to the amount of Rupees 10,506. — 8 pice and Whereas a Commission of Bankruptcy already hath or is intended to be Issued out against the said Richard Bourchier I do for my part freely give my consent and concurrence to

such Commission or other accomodation which the rest of his Creditors shall come into in order to his full Discharge. DATED in Fort Saint George this 7th. day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand seven Hundred and Thirty Nine 1739/40.

JAMES NEVILL (L.S.)

SIGNED and Sealed in the presence of us.

JOHN STRATTON.

Noty. Pub:

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

GENTLEMEN,

When you have advice of my death I desire you will open this and follow the Directions relating to my Will (which is inclosed) now delivered you.

I am Gent.
Your most Obedient Servant
JAMES NEVILL.

To Messrs. Nicholas Morse & Wm. Monson
January 15th. 1739/40.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

THESE are to Certify to whom it may concern that on the 24th. day of August in the year of our Lord 1742 the last Will and Testament of James Nevill late of Fort Saint George in the East Indies deceased as also an Endorsement on the Cover of the same directed to Messrs. Nicholas Morse and William Monson hereunto annexed were exhibited read and proved in this Court by the oath of George Jones of Fort Saint George aforesaid Merchant who declared that he had often seen the said James Nevill write that he was well acquainted with the Character and manner of his hand writing and that he did verily Believe the name James Nevill subscribed to the said will as also to the said Endorsement were of the proper hand writing of him the said James Nevill deceased and whereas John Stratton the subscribing witness to the said will is at this time absent from this place so that his Testimony at present cannot be conveniently procured But for as much as the several members of this Court are well acquainted with the manner & Character of the Hand Writing of the said John Stratton and have severally often seen him write Declare themselves well satisfied that the name John Stratton and the words Noty. Pub: to the said Will subscribed as a Witness are of the proper hand Writing of him the said John Stratton In Testimony whereof the seal of the said Codicil is affixed hereto.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To William Percival of Fort Saint George Merchant friend to William Douglas late of the same place surgeon deceased.

We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as farr as his Goods Chatttells

and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Eighteenth day of March next and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 18th. day of September which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated in Fort Saint George this 18th. day of September in the year of our Lord **1742**.

CORNs. GOODWIN *Mayor*.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

CORNs. GOODWIN *Mayor*.

COPY'S OF WILLS PROBATS &

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION taken from

The Registry of the

HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT OF

MADRASPATNAM.

ANNO 1743.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I John Sanderson in the Honourable East India Companys service being in perfect health mind and Memory blessed be God but considering the Certainty of death and the uncertainty of its coming Do make this my last will and Testament in the manner and form following I do appoint Mr. George Drake now at Fort St. George Captn. John Crompton of Vizagapatam but now at Fort Saint George, Captn. Samuel Biggs of Rothertith London and Mr. Peter Gwynn of Saint James's Hay market London to be my four Executors for disposal of such Worldly Estate as it shall please God to Bless me with at the time of my decease. *Imprimis* I Will that all my Just debts Funeral Charges &c. be discharged ITEM I Will that Mr. George Drake He only to draw the Commission upon the Neat Ballance of my Estate ITEM I Will that Captn. John Crompton in right of himself, Captn. Samuel Bigges in right of his Wife Elizabeth Bigges and Mr. Peter Gwynn in right of his Wife Mary Gwynn do only inspect and see that true meaning and Intention of this my will be duly Executed by Dividing the amount of my Estate in ten shares in the manner and form following ITEM I Bequeath to my son John Sanderson Junior ffour tenths of my Estate ITEM I Bequeath to my sister Elizabeth Bigges Wife of Samuel Bigges Mariner Two Tenths of my Estate ITEM I Bequeath to my sister Mary Gwynn wife of Peter Gwyn upholsterer Two Tenths of my Estate ITEM I Bequeath to Elizabeth the Daughter of Gonjee One Tenth of my Estate besides the amount of what she stands a Creditor upon my Books which is to be paid her as a Just Creditor ITEM I Bequeath to my Friend Captn. John Crompton One Tenth of my Estate ITEM I Will that if Captain Samuel Biggs should insist upon any part of the Commission as being an Executor his Wife or Issue to be excluded the Benefit from any part of my Estate ITEM I Will that if Mr. Peter Gwyn as Executor should insist upon any part of the Commn. his Wife or Issue be excluded the Benefit from any part of my Estate. ITEM I Will that if Captn. John Crompton as Executor should insist upon any part of the Commission he to be Excluded the Benefit from any part of my Estate ITEM I Will that Mr. George Drake do take upon him being Guardian to the said John Sanderson Junior and to have the whole management of his Estate till he's of a proper Age to choose one for himself ITEM my Will is should John Sanderson Junior dye before he comes of age that his fortune be equally divided between my two sisters Elizabeth Biggs and Mary Gwyn

aforesaid ITEM I Will that Captn. John Crompton be Guardian to the said Elizabeth the Daughter of Gonjee and in Case of her decease before she is married then my Will is that the one Tenth of my Estate and the remainder of what she stands a Creditor on my Books be Equally divided between John Sanderson Junior and the Eldest daughter of Mr. George Drake that is unmarried at the time of my decease being known I do hereby Revoke all former Wills made by me Declaring this to be my Last Will and Testament having signed three of the same Tenour and date one Lodged in the Hands of Captn. John Crompton another left in my own Possession and the third to be sent to England on ship Shaftsbury IN WITNESS whereof I have set my Hand and seal in Fort Saint George this 12th. day of January in the Year of our Lord 1739/40.

JOHN SANDERSON. (L.S.)

SIGNED and Sealed (where no stampt paper is to be had) by the Testator in the presence of us Who Witnesses the same in the presence of the Testator.

GEORGE PIGOT.
CHAS. BODDAM.
RICHD. STARKE.

Examined and Compared with the Origl.
₰ NOAH CASAMAJOR.
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 30th. day of Decr. in the year of our Lord 1742 The Will of John Sanderson late of Fort Saint George in the Hon͠ble East India Companys service deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Crompton Gentleman Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said Deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattels and Credits on or before the 30th. day of December which will be in the year of our Lord 1743 and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 30th. day of June which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 Reserving the power of Granting the like adm͠con into Samuel Biggs and Peter Gwyn (George Drake an Executor there in also named being deceased) when they shall come to pray the same Dated the day Month Year and Place abovementioned.

(L.S. MAYORS COURT.)

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Elenor Pye of Fort St. George Widow and Relict of Captn. John Pye late of Fort Saint George aforesaid deceased being of sound mind and perfect Memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of Humane Life make this my last Will and Testament First & principally I Committ my soul into the hands of my Blessed maker Trusting in his Mercys and the Merits of my Dear Redeemer for the Remission of all my Sins my Body I Commit to its mother Earth to be decently Interred at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as to what Worldly Goods God has been pleased to bless me with after my lawful debts

and Funeral Charges are paid I Give and Bequeath to my Dear & well beloved Daughter Ann Pye of Fort S^t^. George and do hereby Constitute & appoint her the said Ann Pye to be my whole and sole Heiress and Executrix to this my last Will and Testament but in Case the said Ann Pye should depart this life before she arrives at the age of 19 or day of Marriage then and in such case I Give and Bequeath all my said Estate to my 4 Nieces Daughters of the following persons Viz^t^. To the Eldest Daur. of my Sister Elizabeth Chapman to the Eldest Daughter of my Sister Martha Beho and to the two Eldest Daughters of my Sister Hannah Pates to be equally divided between my said four Nieces share and share alike and in case of the death of either of my aforesaid Neices It is my will that my Estate be shared equally Between the surviving one two or three Neices as it shall so happen Ratifying this to be my last Will and Testament and Disannualling all others I do hereby utterly Revoke Disallow and Disannull all former Bequests Wills and Legacys by me heretofore in any wise Left or made Declaring Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal in Fort Saint George this 13th. day of December 1739.

ELENOR PYE (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed Published and Declared by the within named Testatrix Elenor Pye where no stamp paper is to be had in the us who subscribed our names in the presence of the said Testatrix. Sic or.

ROB^T^. TURING.
JOHN RUSSELL.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r^*.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN TO ALL MEN by these presents that this 3^d^. day of May Anno Domini 1743 the Will of Elenor Pye late of Fort Saint George deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Adm̃con of all & singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise belonging was & is hereby Committed to Ann Pye sole Executrix in the said Will named being ffirst sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige her and Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 3^d^. day of November next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 3^d^. day of May which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 DATED the day Month year and place above mentioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor*.

WE JOHN STRATTON of Fort Saint George in the East Indies Esqr. and Nathaniel Barlow of the same place Surgeon severally declare that we being present with Rawson Hart also late of the same place Merchant deceased at his Dwelling house thereabout the hour of 3 in the Morning of this present 14th. day of June he the said Rawson Hart being in an ill state of health and of which Indisposition he is since departed this Life but of sound Mind memory and understanding according to all outward appearance and as we do severally in our Conscience verily believe did desire the said John Stratton who had been sent for, for that purpose to bear

Witness of the words that he the said Rawson Hart then was about to speak declare and publish and which words so by him spoken were as near as we possibly can remember as follow.

"Mr. Stratton I have sent for you to acquaint you that I have no Will by me, "Pray take Notice and remember That I leave the management of my "affairs to my sister Hannah Greenhaugh and my two Nephews Samuel "Greenhaugh and Charles Boddam."

IN FAITH and Testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands the said 14th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1743.

JOHN STRATTON.
NATHL. BARLOW.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

THESE are to Certify to whom it may concern that on this 28th. day of June Anno Domini 1743 The Nuncupative Will Paper Writing or Declaration of Rawson Hart late of Fort Saint George Merchant bearing date the fourteenth day of this instant was Exhibited read and proved in this Court by the Oaths of John Stratton of the same place Merchant and Nathaniel Barlow also of the same place Surgeon who subscribed to the aforesaid Nuncupative Will Paper Writing or Declaration the Original of which is hereunto affixed Witness my Hand.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To ELIZABETH RUSSELL Widow and Relict of John Russell late of Fort Saint George deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said John Russell dyed lately there intestate We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the second day of ffebruary which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 and We do by these presents appoint you Administrix of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this second day of August Anno Domini 1743.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPM.

TO WILLIAM PERCIVAL of Fort Saint George Merchant principal Creditor of Thomas Wright late of the same place Mariner deceased Whereas the said Thomas Wright dyed lately on the seas Intestate.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells

and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 9th. day of ffebruary next and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 9th. day of August, which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 9th. day of August Anno Domini 1743.

L.S. MAYORS COURT.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Samuel Wilton Mariner of Calcutta being sick and weak but of sound and disposing Mind and Memory and knowing the uncertainty of this Transitory Life have taken the same into Consideration thought proper to make my last Will and Testament as follows Vizt. In the first I recommend my soul into the hands of my blessed Redeemer thro' whose Merits I hope for salvation and my Body to the Ground to be interred in a Christian like form.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto my ever honoured Father Jerrald Wilton such the remains of my now real and whole Estate or Estates or otherways that is or may become to me dow now or hereafter. SIC OR

ITEM I do likeways Constitute and appoint my true and Trusty friend John Waters second Gunner of Fort Saint George in Madras to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke and frustrate all former Wills heretofore made by me and do appoint and declare this to be my last Will and Testament and In Witness whereof I set my Hand and Seal aboard the Mercury at sea in the Lat: of 19°. 40′ N°. this the 24th. day of September 1743.

SAML. WILTON (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered where no stampt paper is to be had in presence of

ALEXr. TALYOUR.
ROBT. GRAHAM.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 18th. day of October Anno Domini 1743 The Will of Samuel Wilton late of Calcutta Mariner deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to John Waters Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said Deceased and the Legacies in the said Will contained as ffarr as the Goods Chattells & Credits of the said Deceased shall Extend & the Law oblige him Also to Exhibit into this Court a true & perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits on or before 9 months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and Just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before 12 months from the date hereof DATED the day month year & place abovementioned.

L.S. MAYORS COURT.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

TO WILLIAM PERCIVALL of Fort Saint George Merchant Friend of William Macknight late of the place aforesaid deceased.

WE desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his Just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your ffidelity Committ to you the administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits on or before six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 18th. day of October which will be in the year of our Lord 1744. And We do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all & singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 18th. day of October Anno Domini 1743.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

HENRY POWNEY *Mayor.*

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

COPYS OF WILLS, PROBATS &
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION'S
taken from the Registry of the
HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT AT
MADRASPATNAM ANNO. 1744.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Thomas Clarke of Vizagapatam Mariner being in perfect health mind and Memory but considering the Certainty of death & the uncertainty of its coming do make this my last will and Testament in the manner and form following *Imprimis* I Will that all my just debts and Funeral Charges are discharged then I do give and Bequeath all my real and personal Estate to be Equally divided between Catherine Clarke my Wife and Elizabeth Clarke my Daughter; but in case Catherine Clarke my wife should marry after my decease then I do Give and Bequeath all my Real and personal Estate unto Elizabeth Clarke my Daughter; and in Case Elizabeth Clarke my Daughter should dye before she is married then I do Give and Bequeath all my real and personal Estate unto Ana de Cruiz and Clara de Cruiz to be Equally divided between them and in Case the above said Ana de Cruiz and Clara de Cruiz should dye before Elizabeth Clarke my Daughter is married then I do give and Bequeath all my Real and personal Estate unto Mr. Thomas Saunders and Lieutenant John Crompton to be Equally divided Between them and I do Constitute and appoint the aforesaid Mr. Thomas Saunders and Lieutenant John Crompton to be my Executors and do request of them that they will take care of my Daughter Elizabeth Clarke and that she's brought up in the protestant Religion and I do hereby revoke all former wills by Me made and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Vizagapatam this 16th. day of July in the year of our Lord 1741.

THOMAS CLARKE (L.S.)

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered (where no stampt paper is to be had) by the Testator in the presence of us.

JAMES MADDOX.

JOHN BURGE.

RICHARD HAYCOCK.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℣ NOAH CASAMAJOR.
Register.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASP^M.

BE IT KNOWN to all men by these presents that this 6th. day of March Anno Domini 1743 The Will of Thomas Clarke late of Vizagapatam Mariner deceased hereunto annexed was exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby committed to John Crompton Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same, and to pay the lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige, And also to Exhibit into this Court a true & perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits on or before the 21st. day of October next ensuing and to render into this Court a true & just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 21st. day of February which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 Referring power of Granting the like Administration unto Thomas Saunders when he comes to pray the same Dated the day Month year & place abovementioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH.
Mayor.

NOAH CASAMAJOR.
Reg^r.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

TO JOHN SCRIMSOUR Nearest of Kin of William Magnus late of Fort Saint George Mariner deceased.

WHEREAS the said William Magnus died lately there intestate We desirous That the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the Expiration of 12 M^os. from the date hereof and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all & singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 21st. day of March Anno Domini 1743.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH (L.S.)
Mayor.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^r.*

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Tahourdin Widow of Peter Tahourdin Merchant of Fort Saint David being by the blessing of God in perfect health of Body and sound mind but considering the uncertain hour of my death do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following that is to say Principally I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as touching such worldly Estate Wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I Give and Bequeath the same in the ffollowing manner and form *Imprimis* I Constitute and appoint Mr. Peter Tahourdin of London son of Gabriel Tahourdin deceased my only & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and Mr. Edward Croke of Fort Saint David with Mr. Thomas Eyre of Fort Saint George my Trustees in order to Remitt the neat produce of my Estate to the said Mr. Peter Tahourdin or his assigns after discharging my Just debts funeral Charges and the Legacys hereafter mentioned as follows.

I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. Edward Croke 50 Ps. and to Mr. Thomas Eyre 200 Ps. for their care and Execution of this my last Will and Testament This I declare to be my last Will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming the same and in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal in Fort Saint David this 10th. day of ffebruary 1741/2.

Mary Tahourdin (L.S.)

Signed Sealed and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of us who Witnesses the same in the presence of the Testor where no stampt paper is to be had.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

(no Wits.)

℣ Noah Casamajor.

Regr.

The Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

To Edward Croke of Fort Saint David and Thomas Eyre of Fort St. George Trustees named in the last Will and Testament of Mary Tahourdin late of Fort Saint David aforesaid Widow deceased send Greeting Whereas the said Mary Tahourdin whilst Living did make her last will and Testament hereunto annext and did therein Nominate and appoint Peter Tahourdin of London, son of Gabriel Tahourdin deceased her only sole Executor and the said Edward Croke and Thomas Eyre Trustees in order to Remit the neat produce of her said Estate to the said Peter Tahourdin or his assigns We desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all her just debts paid as far as her Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige Do hereby relying on your Fidelity commit to you the Administration of all and singr. the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the 3d. day of October next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 3d. day of April which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrators of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Reserving power of Granting the like Admrcon to the said Peter Tahourdin when he comes to pray the same Dated in Fort Saint George this 3d. day of April Anno Domini 1744.

(L.S. Mayors Court.)

Samuel Greenhaugh,
Mayor.

Noah Casamajor *Regr.*

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

TO WILLIAM PERCIVAL of Fort Saint George Merchant principal Creditor of John Waters late of the same place deceased.

SEND GREETING WHEREAS the said John Waters dyed lately there intestate.

WE DESIROUS that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be demanded and received and all his just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits at or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 19th. day of June which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 19th. day of June Anno Domini 1744.

(L.S.)

MAYORS COURT.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH.
Mayor.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg*r.

COMPRASTE Madrasta Hojee 28 Julho 1744.

Fr. Severino Cap : M.V.

EN NOME da Santisssima Trindade, Padre, Filho espirito Santo, Tres Passoas, hu sô. Deos Verdadeiro, Cuja Lei Proseco, Viaer, emorrer Como Christaõ Crendo emtudo Quanto Manda e ensina a sta. Madre Igra. Romana.

SAIBAÕ Quantos esta Vizem, que no Anno do nassimento de Nosso Sr. Jesus Christo, de Mil Setecentos Corenta ecoatro, ao Primeiro de Junho, Estando Eu Franco. Gonsalves, em meu perfeito Juizo e Entemdimto. fis este meu Testamto. Namelhor forma que pude.

PRIMRA. Mete. Peco A Verge Snora Nossa, eatodos os Santos e Anjos da Corte Celestial, Sejão meus Avogados, em rogar a Deos, per d aõ do meus peccados que contra sua Divina Majestade tenho Comhelido.

PECO ao Senhor D Jeronimo de Ita, eao Mto. Rdo. Sr. Pe. fr. Severino Vigro. desta Igre. de Madrasta, queirao ꝑ Charidl. sere Meus Testamtos., po. dispoz ogl. neste peco e emfalta do Sr. D. Jeronimo, aque Minha Mulher Nomear.

DECLARO pue sou natural desta Cidade de Madrasta, silho Legitimo de ffrano Gonsalves, eda Joana Pra. Efuj Carado co Leanor Acart, de que Tenho duas filhas, hua ꝑ nome Joanna Contra Christina; Declaro, que dei de Cazaz a Joana cõ Robert Estrang ffellow, dandolhe Mil Pagodes emdote, Tambem dei de Cazir a Christina, cõ Jezeph da Cunha d Essa, dandolhe Emdote setecentos eCicoenta, Pagodes, mais odote teve de ventage Noventa Pagodes, ꝑ sucerder, que quando foi entregar odoite despois deter Cazado, jâ naô correr Aqueles Pagodas Mutrados, que corria antes (no tempo q ajustamos ocazamento) Sinao opagode da Estrella, Co defferenca, de doze ꝑ Cento de hu Aoutro.

DEPREZENTE sou Cazado com Dona Manuelha de Souza Rodoalho Aqueum deixo por Minha herdeira pagando as Minhas, Bividas, Mandas edeixas.

QUANDO DEOS Sealembrar daminha Alma, peco que omeu Corpo, seja Sepultada, Nesta Igreia Santõ Andre, na Cova Aonde estâ Sepultada Minda May efaca hâ officio Solemne detodos os Sacerdotes q se acharem, epeco atodos que se Missarẽ Naquella dia, sejão aplicadas ꝑ Minha Alma. Deixo der pagodes Pa. re repartir cõ os pobres pedintes em Madrasta : Deixo huã Cazinha que tenho Napetta, que Comprei de Raphael Frra. Millhares, a Minha Netta, eafilhada Anna Maria, cõ condicaõ delhe enhegar dispois de ser Cazada eathe este tempo, estarã esta Caza

a desporicaõ da Minha Malher etão bem se suceder Morrer ad^{o}. Minha Neta Antes de Cazaz ficara ad^{o}. Caza Aminha Molher. DEIXO Outra Cazinha que tenho no Monte Grande Aminha Asilhada Francisca, filha de Ant^{o}. de Souza, ede Joana Lembrum Ambos defuntos, com asmesmas condicioẽns como as que deixo Aminha Netta. Deixo Aos Meus dous afilhadas̃ hu ℘ Nome Bento Outra Domingos (alias Mango) acada hu Cincoenta Pagodes, com Condicao q selhes Entregarao sendo de doze Annos dando aalgus senhores, que queirão tomaz ℘ Seus Criados. eseantes deste tempo Morrer Magõ, deixo to do ao Bento ese Morree Ambos sera, esta denheiro da Minha Mulher, eem Cazo de Morrer Antes este tempo d^{a}. Minha Mulher-este dinheiro servirã p^{a}. alimento do d^{os}. meus afilhados athe Onde puder Chegar; Deixo Aminha filha Christina Cento e secenta Pagod^{s}., p^{a}. nao se queixar q a sua Irmâ achou Mais, Mas Señeste Meyo Tempo Morrer ella, deix od^{o}. dinheiro Aminha Netta Anna Maria Os Meus Luzos, emais roupa do meu Vzo, deixo Na desporicao da Minha Molher p^{a}. se repartir Cõ os meus afilhado aquilho q lhes poderao serviz, odemais darâ a algus Conhecidos Eccleziasticos ou sculares.

OS ESCRAVOS e Escrauas que tenho, deixo forros, elivres, com Condicao q Abicha Maria Serviza Cinco Annos Aminha Molher, eabicha Luzia Serviza Cinco Annos Aminhafilha Christina, Obicho Timoz, Jozeph Servira dez Annos Aminha Molher, Amossa Lucrecia deixo, Livre, cõ dez Pag^{s}. q selhe darâ, epodera Sahir quando quizer EASSIM doup Acabado Este Meu Testam^{tos}. Namelhor forma que pude efaco, ℘ Minha universal herdeira Aminha Molher D^{o}. Manoelha de Souza Rodoalho (℘ Assim the prometer) satisfazendo as Minhas dividas Minhas edeixas Peco atodos as Justicas que assim of acaõ cumprir, eguardar inteiram^{te}. como Assima peco, edeclaro ℘ ser Aminha Ultima ventade edespozi, cao, efis este deminha Letra cõ Omeu Cillo esinal a Custumado, emprez^{ca}. dastestamunhas Abaixo a sinados Madrasta Mesmo dia Mez Chera V. Supra.

FRAN^{CO}. GONSALVES. (L.S.)

M.D. Fonceca. FRANC^{CO}. DE LUZ.
MAN. D. CRUZ————————MAY.

Examined and Compared with the Orig^{l}.
℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR *Reg^{r}.*

Let it be fulfilled, Madras this 28th. July 1744.
Father Severino Cap. M. Ap.

IN THE NAME OF THE Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Three persons one only true God in whose Law I profess to Live and dye as a Christian believing in every thing that the Holy mother church of Rome teaches and Commands.

KNOW ALL MEN unto whom these presents shall come that in the year of the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ 1744 on the first day of June I Francisco Gonsalves being in my perfect sense and understanding made this my last will and Testament in the best manner I could.

Imprimis I pray the Virgin Mary our Lady, and all the Saints & Angels of the Heavenly Host to be my Intercessors and to beg of God the pardon of my sins, which I have Committed against his Divine Majesty.

I desire Don Jeronimo de Ita and the most Reverend Father Severin Vicar of this Church of Madras that they will please out of Charity to be my Executors to dispose of what I shall hereafter herein desire, and on default of D^{n}. Jeronimo, the person my wife shall think fit to name.

I DECLARE that I am a native of this City of Madraspatnam Ligitimate son of Francisco Gonsalves and of Johanna Pereira, I was married with Leonora Acart, by whom I had two Daughters, one named Johanna the other Christina I declare that I Gave Johanna in marriage to Robert Stringfellow and gave her a portion of 1000 Pagodas, I also gave Christina in Marriage to Joseph da Cunha DEssa, and

gave her a portion of 750 Ps. but that portion had an Increase of 90 Ps. because it happened that when I went to pay the portion after they were married, those Pagodas were not then current which were current before (at the time that we agreed upon the marriage) but the Star pagodas, which were 12 ℔ cent better than the others.

At present I am married with Dona Manuela de Souza Rodoalho whom I leave my Heiress after paying my debts devises and Legacys.

When it shall please God to think of my soul I desire that my Body may be Buried in this Church St. Andrew, in the same Grave wherein my Mother was Buried, and that a solemn office be made with as many Priests as can be had and I pray every one of them in case they say Masses that day, that they may be applied for my soul.

I Leave ten pagodas to be distributed among the poor Beggars in Madras I Bequeath a small house I have in the Petta that I bought of Raphael Ferra. Milhares to my Grand Child and God Child Anna Maria on condition it be delivered to her after she is married, and until that time it shall be in the disposal of my wife; and also should it happen that my said Grand Child should dye before she is married the said house shall remain to my wife I bequeath another small House which I have at the Great Mount to my God daughter Francisca the daughter of Anthony de Souza and Johanna Lebrum both deceased with the same conditions as that I leave to my Grandchild I Bequeath unto my two God sons one named Bento, the other Domingos (alias Mango) to each of them 50 Ps. to be paid them when they are 12 years old, and that they go into the service of any Gentleman that they will take them for their servants; and if Mago dies before that time I Give the whole to Bento, and should both dye this money shall be my Wifes, and in Case my Wife should dye before that time, this money shall be applied towards the maintenance of my said two Godsons, as far as it will go.

I Bequeath to my Daughter Christina, the sum of 160 Ps. that she may not complain that her sister had more than she but if in the meantime she should dye I Bequeath the aforesaid money to my Grand Daughter Anna Maria, I leave my Books and Wearing apparel at the disposal of my Wife that she may divide between my God sons what will serve them of it, the rest she may give to some of her acquaintance Ecclesiastick or Seculars.

To my Slaves of either sex I Bequeath their ffreedom and Liberty on condition that the Girl Maria shall serve my wife 5 years and the Girl Luzia my daughter Christina 5 years, The Boy Timor Joseph shall serve my wife 10 years I Bequeath Lucretia her ffreedom and Ten pagodas shall be given her and she may go away when she pleases.

And thus I have finished my Will in the best manner I could and I Constitute my Wife Donno Manuela de Souza Rodoalho my Universal Heiress (having promised it her) after discharging her debts devices and Legacys.

Desire of all the Justices to see it thus fulfilled and kept Intirely as I have above desired and I declare this to be my last Will and Testament wrote with my own hand writing and sealed with my accustomed seal and marked in presence of the underwritten Witnesses in Madras the day Month and year *Ut Supra*.

Frano. Gonsalves. (L.S.)

Ml. Daffonseca, Franco. De Luz.
Man D. Cruz..................May

A true Translate of the preceeding Will of Frano. Gonsalves.

℔ Noah Casamajor *Regr*.

By the Mayors Court at Madrasp^{M}.

Be it known to all Men by these presents that this 7th. day of August Anno Domini 1744 the Will of Francisco Gonsalves late of Madrap^{m}. deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise Belonging was and is hereby Committed to Jeronimo De Ita (Father Severino and Executor therein named having Expressly renounced his Executorship to the said Will in this Court) Executor in the said Will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said Will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige him and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells & Credits on or before 6 months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 7th. day of August which will be in the year of our Lord 1744 Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(L.S.) Mayors Court.

Noah Casamajor — *Reg^{r}.*

Samuel Greenhaugh — *Mayor.*

Em Nome Da Santissima Trindade Padre filho esperito santo tres pessods hu so Deos Verdadeiro, Saibao quantos este ynstromento Virem que nõ Anno do Nacimentio de Nosso S^{r}. Jesus Christo de Mil sete Centos Corenta e Coatro aos Vinte enove dias do mes de agosto do ditto Anno Nesta Forteleza de S^{t}. George em Madrasp^{m}. Eu Simion Nicolao Muchu em meu perfeito Juiro e Entendimento temendome da Morte epor Nao Sabez quando serâ Aminha Ultima ederadeira horafaco este meu Testamento naforma seguinte, Primeira mente emcomendo Aminha alma a Santisima Tridate que a Criou, e Rogo Ao Padre Eterno pette Morte epaxaio do seu Unigenito filho Acqueira Receber Como Recebeu Como Recebeu estandopella Morerp^{la}. Nossa Redempcao eao Meu S^{r}. Jesus Christo que ꝑ Suas divinas Chaquas perdoemeus peccado e Me Conceda dternia gloria, Pesso e Rogo Amuy Glorioza Virgem Maria May eavogada dos peccadores eato dos os Santos da Corte Celestial que yntercedaõ por my, porque Como Verdadeiro Christaõ que souprotesto de Viver e Morer em a Santafê Catholica, e Cretodo oquee Creê emanda a Santa Madre, Igr^{a}. de. Roma, e com estafê confio a salvarme Item pesso e Rogo ao R^{mo}. P^{e}. superiour f^{r}. Severino por Charidade queira sez meu Testamenturo, sendo Deos servide Levame desta Vide prezente mando que Omeu Corpo Seja enterado no adro de Igr^{a}. Como tenho Comunicado O Lugar Verbalm ente Com Odito R^{mo}. P^{e}. meu Testamenturo efaca hu oficio emissa de Corpo prezente aCopanhado de todos os Rev^{dos}. Padres.

Item Declaro que tenho huã filha em Philipopilia Macidonia ꝑ nome Maradaia. Item Piquingy Caxy Mercador neste lugar me deve Aynterece Coatro Mil Pagodes Beve Mais o Ditto por Outzo Conhecimento duas Mil Rupias e Deve Mais od^{o}. Piguingy Caxy Cento e sincoenta pagodas todas tres Soma Aynterece eficaõ ditos tres Conhecimentos no Meu escrotorio Item tenho feito hua Remeca de Tutanaga Com Fran^{co}. Contofore Cuja venda ynporta Trizemil equinhentas Rupias Como p^{la}. sua Carta que Receby Neste Anno, Levou Mais o D^{o}. Contofre quinhentos pagodes de pessas de China abeneficio, emais durentos winte 200 P^{s}. a Respondez a seis ꝑ Cento os Constos delle ficao no meu Escrotorio, Item tenho fuã filha natural câ em. Madrasta ꝑ Nome Luiza de ydaye de 6 Annos pouco Mais Ou Menos aqual Crianca deixo qu inhentos pagodes Aqual contia ficara empoder do R^{mo}. Meu Testamentr ꝑ^{a} de Sustentar com os ganhos a Ella Oproprio se daca q^{do}. temar o Estado D^{a}. Crianca fica actualmente em Caza de Paula Vieyra aqueum tenho pagodas e Concluido o Sustinto da d^{a}. Crianca athe. 17 do Corronte mes de Agosto de presente hera, ꝑ Meu falcimento ficara dita Rapariga na desporicao do meu Testamtr^{o}.

ITEM tenho duas Cadeas de Ouro, Hũ afugardor Com Rubiñs Mendos de 17 Pessas Hũ par the Cachos de Diamantes de valia de Correnta Pagodes Oqual Cachos editto afuguador deixo aditta Minha filha Luiza, comjunto aditta Cadea, digo de duas se dara huã.

ITEM deixo a Esta Nossa Igr^{a}. de Madrasta do Rev^{dos}. Pa^{s}. Capuchinhos cem Pagodes.

ITEM Tenho Dous Captivos eduas Captivas a Sabez Antonio, Pedro, Iacinta e Ignacia atodos deixo forro e Livre, Com advertencia que Pedro podera hir Logo p^{a}. donde quizer Outros se a R^{mo}. P^{e}. Meu Testamenteiro detriminar que se devem estar p^{a}. serviz ad^{a}. Minha filha Luiza, Opodera fazer.

ITEM declaro que ha treze Annos que sou Viuvo de Suzuy.

ITEM tenho hu Irmao Criaky Comquem tenho acabado e Concluido todas as Contas cujo Consto epapus ficao no meu Escrotorio.

ITEM Deixa Cempagodes p^{a}. Missas p^{a}. Minha alma.

ITEM Pagado as Minhas Mandas edeixas junto Com oproducto da venda dos Meus Moveis, Trates &c^{a}. se ajuntaza com omur Cabedal Cobzado, esedara Aminha filha que esta em Philipoplia ℘ Nome Marradaia, aquem deixo por Minha Herdeira, ecom ysto tenho a Cabadõ esta me Testamento e Revogo Outro qual quer que de antes tenho feito, epor ser a Minha Ultima ederadeira vontade pedy Ao Tabeliao de Nossa Igr^{a}. que este Sizea eme Assiney emprezenca da testamentias que de prz^{te}. seacharaõ; no mesmo dia mes Chera otras Assinado em Armenio.

Assinado em Character Grego
SIMION NICOLAO MUCHU.

(L.S.)

Assinado em Armenio Johannes Dowd Cawn Como Testimonio Jeronimo de Ita Fran^{co}. Joseph Da Silva Em Armenio.
Coja Mirezam.

FR^{CO}. DE SQR^{A}. PEIXOTO.
Escrivao publ^{o}.

Examined and Compared with the Original.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR,
Reg^{r}.

TRANSLATE of the preceeding Will.

IN THE NAME OF the Most Holy Trinity Father Son and Holy Ghost, three persons one only true God know all Men by these presents that in the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ 1744 on the nine and Twentieth day of August of the said year I Simion Nicholas Muchu of Fort Saint George in Madraspatnam being in my perfect senses and understanding fearing death, and not knowing when my last hour may come, make this last Will and Testament in manner and form following *Imprimis* I recommend my soul to the most Holy Trinity who created it, & I Beseech the ffather Eternally the death and Passion of his only begotten Son, to receive the same as he did his, when he was dying for our Redemp^{n}. and I Beseech my Lord Jesus Christ by his divine wounds to pardon all my sins and Grant me Eternal Glory, I beseech and pray the most Glorious Virgin Mary; Mother and Advocate for Sinners, and all the Saints of the Celestial Court to Intercede for me, Because as a true Christian, that I am, I Declare that I will live and dye in the Holy Catholick ffaith and believe everything that the Holy Mother Church of Rome believes and commands and in

this Faith I hope for Salvation. Item I desire and pray the most Rev^{d}. Father superiour F. Severin to be my Executor for Charitys sake; when it shall please God to take me out of this present Life I will that my Body be buried in the Churchyard and in the place I have verbally told the said most Rev^{d}. Father my Executor, and that an Office and a Mass, with the Body present, be say'd, accompanied by all the Rev^{d}. Fathers. Item I declare that I have a Daughter at Philipoppoli in Macedonia, whose name is Marradaia. Item Piguingy Caxy Merchant residing in this place owes me 4000 P^{s}. at Interest the same person owes me on another Bond 2000 Rupees and the said Piguingy Caxy owes me more 150 P^{s}. all three sums at Interest and the said three Bonds are in my scrutore. Item I consigned a parcel of Tutenaigue to Francis Contofre the sale of which amounts to 13,500 Rupees as will appear by his Letter which I received this year, The said Contofre carried with heirr also for sale, a parcel of China silks, to the amount of 500 P^{s}. and more Two hundred and Twenty 220 P^{s}. at Responden. The Vouchers whereof are in my Scrutore.

ITEM I have a Natural daughter here in Madras whose name is Luiza aged six years a little more or less, to which child I Bequeath 500 P^{s}. which sum shall be in the Possession of my most Rev^{d}. Ext̃or and the Interest thereof applyed to her maintenance The Principal shall be given her when she marrys, said Child is now at house of Paula Vieyra, to whom I have paid for said Childs diet to the 17th. of the month of August of this present year, on my decease the said Child shall be under the direction of my Executor.

ITEM I have two Gold Chains a necklace set with 17 small Rubies a pair of Diamond Earrings of about forty Pagodes value, the said Earrings and Necklace I leave to my said Daughter Luiza with the said Chain I say one of the two shall be given to her.

ITEM I Leave to this our Church of the Rev^{d}. Fathers Capuchins at Madras 100 P^{s}. Item I have two male and two female slaves to wit Anthony, Peter, Iacinta and Ignatia, I give them all their ffreedom and liberty with this Clause that Peter may go immediately whether he pleases The others may be detained to serve my said Daur. Luiza if the most Rev^{d}. Father my Executor so thinks proper.

ITEM I Declare that I have been the Widower of Suzuy for 13 years past.

ITEM I have a Brother Criaky by name with whom I have adjusted and finished all accounts as will appear by the paper writings relating thereto which are in my Scrutore.

ITEM I Leave 100 P^{s}. for Masses for my soul.

ITEM My Bequests and Legacys being paid the produce of the sale of my moveables apparell &c. shall be added to my neat Estate which shall be given to my Daughter who is at Philipoppoli by name Maradia, whom I leave for my Heiress and herewith I have finished this my will and revoke any other heretofore by me made, and this being my ultimate and Latest will I desired the scrivener of this our Church to make this form which I signed in presence of the Witnesses who were present the day month year and place above Written.

Signed in Greek Characters
SIMON NICHOLAS MUCHU (L.S).

In Armenian Characters.
Johannes Doudcawn.

as a witness
Jeronimo de Ita.
Fran^{co}. Joseph Da Silva.

In Armenian Character.
Coja Mirezam.

FR^{co}. DE SQR^{A}. PEIXOTO
Publick Scrivener.

A true Translate.
℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Reg^{r}.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 28th. day of August Anno Domini 1744 the Will of Simon Nicholas Muchu late of Fort St. George Merchant deceased hereunto annext was exhibited and proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to the Revd. Father Severin Capuchin Missionary Apost. & Vicar of the Church of Saint Andrew of the place aforesaid Executor in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawfull debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall extend and the Law oblige and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before the Expiration of six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said Deceased on or before the 28th. day of August which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 Dated the day month year and place abovementioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr*.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH
Mayor.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I John Taylor Commander of the Sumatra being sick in Body but of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this Life do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I recommend my soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it hoping thro' the merits and sufferings of Jesus Christ my Saviour to obtain Pardon of my sins and my Body I Committ to the Earth or seas as opportunity shall serve, and as touching such worldly Effects as it hath pleased God to Bless me with I dispose of them as follows Vizt.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto William Burton the sum of 100 Ps.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto Charles Engelson the sum of 100 Ps.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto Lewis de Rosiro my servant the sum of 50 Ps. and a slave Boy named Caesar and some of my Cloaths as my Trustees shall think proper.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath the live Cattle on board to my friends at Madras as my Trustees hereafter mentioned shall think proper.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. Charles Savage Norris the sum of 50 Ps.

ITEM I Give and Bequeath unto Mr. Charles Pigott (after my Just debts and charges defrayed) the Residue and remainder of my Estate.

LASTLY I hereby nominate and appoint my Trusty Friends Messrs. George Pigot and Charles Savage Norris Trustees to this my Last Will & Testament revoking disannulling and making void all former Wills and Testaments by me made IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal Dated on Board the Honble Companys ship Sumatra this 26th. day of August 1744.

JOHN TAYLOR (LS).

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered (where no stampt paper is to be had) in presence of

JOHN JENNICOR.
DUGALD MEACHAM.

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original.
℔ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

BY THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

BE IT KNOWN to all Men by these presents that this 18 day of September Anno Domini 1744 the Will of John Taylor late of Fort Saint George Mariner and Commander of ship Sumatra deceased hereunto annext was Exhibited and Proved before this Court and Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the said deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to George Pigott & Charles Savage Norris of the place aforesaid Executors in the said will named being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and to pay the Lawful debts of the said deceased and the Legacys in the said will contained as far as the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased shall Extend and the Law oblige them and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before six months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 18th. day of Septr. which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 Dated the day month year & place abovementioned.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH
Mayor.

NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRASPATNAM.

To LEVI MOSES Friend of Oswald Saw late of Fort Saint George Diamond Cutter deceased send Greeting.

WHEREAS the said Oswald Saw dyed lately there intestate WE desirous that the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased be well and truly administred and disposed of and that all the Credits of the said deceased be Demanded and received and all his just debts paid as far as his Goods Chattells and Credits shall Extend and the Law oblige do hereby relying on your Fidelity Committ to you the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits to the Deceased in any wise belonging being first sworn well and truly to administer the same and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattells and Credits on or before 6 months from the date hereof and to render into this Court a true and just account of all the Effects of the said deceased on or before the 18th. day of September which will be in the year of our Lord 1745 and we do by these presents appoint you Administrator of all and singular the said Goods Chattells and Credits Dated at Fort Saint George this 18th. day of September Anno Domini 1744.

(L.S.) MAYORS COURT.

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH
Mayor.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I Thomas Pitt of Vizagapatam but at this time at Upparra being in a perfect state of mind but infirm in that of my Body do here make this my last Will and Testamt. by which constitute and appoint my good and worthy Friend Robert Turing surgeon of Vizagapatam as my whole and sole Executor to act in Trust for the following persons to whom I Give and Bequeath Vizt. To my two sisters & younger Brother by name Jane, Ann, and William Pitt the sum of 500 Ps. to be Equally divided between them and who are residing at Blandford in Dorsetshire I also Give and Bequeath to my long and faithfull servant Louisa the sum of 200 Ps. together with all my Cloths, Chests, and furniture such as Tables Chairs &c. and to the poor of Madras 20 Ps. and Lastly I Give to the abovesaid my Worthy friend Robert Turing the remainder whatever my Estate may amount to

after the payment of the above sums as he shall discover to be due to me By Debt Bonds or otherwise in the Execution of all which may God Almighty direct his ways as he was Graciously Pleased to do me in the making this my last Will and Testament this the 25th. August 1744 where no Europeans are at hand to sign it.

THOMAS PITT (LS).

EXAMINED and Compared with the Original Registred in Fort St. George this 16th. day of October A. D. 1744.

℘ NOAH CASAMAJOR
Regr.

NB :

PROBAT is Granted to the aforesaid Robert Turing the 15th. January 1744–45 and will be in the Records of next year.

NOAH CASAMAJOR *Regr.*

SAMUEL GREENHAUGH
Mayor.

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